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"HOW TO CURE CHINA'S ILLS"

A GERMAN ALLIANCE?

Suggestions Typical of One School of Thought

WAR WITH FOREIGN POWER ESSENTIAL, SAYS WRITER

[By "Li Chung-yin"]

If only because it is typical of the mentality of certain Chinese—some educated and some not—a contribution by C. Y. W. Meng to the "China Critic" (a weekly commentary in English published by Chinese in Shanghai) deserves more than passing attention because it makes known one of the many suggestions for curing China of her ills.

In a sentence, Mr. Meng thinks that an alliance with Germany is not only desirable but also necessary—from China's point of view. He goes superficially into details but does not discuss the probabilities of Germany's attitude towards an alliance on the lines indicated.

"It is always my conviction that a war with a foreign country is essential to our unification," says Mr. Meng. And he attempts to point to parallels in Germany and the United States of America during the last century.

THREE ARGUMENTS

In justice to the Editor of the "China Critic," room must be found for the following stipulation by him:

"Although we would not advocate such an alliance as proposed by the author of this article, we think it is interesting to our readers to appreciate the views of a certain section of articulate young Chinese who become jingoistic under the gaze of Japanese encroachment. The rumoured revival of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and secret diplomacy [the date of the number is Jan. 24, before which the renewal of this long-expired Alliance had been officially denied], which is behind all such arrangements, is instrumental in driving some young Chinese to look to Germany for help, others to the United States, while still others to Communistic Russia. There is no surer way of fostering jingoism and communism in China than a revival of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance."

The Indictment

Mr. Meng lays the following indictment against Japan as her ambitions:

To oppose Chinese Tariff autonomy,

To annex Manchuria,

To block the revision of Sino-Japanese Treaties.

In which respect it has transpired that Japan has acceded to the new Chinese Customs Tariff which came into force yesterday, that formal recognition of the National Government in China is the next assured step, that negotiation is being sustained to settle outstanding Sino-Japanese problems, and that annexation of Manchuria (in the real sense of the term) is very unlikely in present circumstances at least.

Because of these alleged Japanese desires, Mr. Meng shows faith in the rumours which began to float around two or three months ago that an Anglo-Japanese Alliance had again been mooted.

China in Diplomacy

It is a pity that Mr. Meng, although he quotes liberally from history, does not go into the ghastly result of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen's "understanding" with Soviet Russia, in which the late Mr. Liao Chung-kuai (who was assassinated in Canton when Red rule was near its zenith) played a prominent part. Nor is light thrown on the proposal of Dr. Sun that certain of the big nations should join in a co-operative scheme to put China on her feet, more as a business proposition than a political venture.

As to China's place in the diplomatic world, Mr. Meng says: "Though the nearest neighbour to China, Japan, instead of being a true friend to China, has proved to be the very one with whom China would have to re-adjust her relations by means of war. Russia, another near neighbour to China, has proved to be a dangerous foe to China. She gave China theories of communism, which resulted in the severance of Sino-Russian relations. America, who is a true friend to China, is too tightly bound by her traditional policy of having no alliance with the outside world. Then, as the near neighbours have proved to be enemies or disinterested."

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INFUX OF BRITISH GOLD INTO U.S.A.

BANK OF ENGLAND GOVERNOR IN NEW YORK

IMPORTANT MISSION

New York, Yesterday. The "Journal of Commerce" understands that the arrival of Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England has as its object the conferring with officials of the New York Federal Reserve Bank in an endeavour to devise means to prevent the influx of gold from Britain without raising the Bank of England's discount rate.—Reuter's American Service.

RAN AROUND

UNION CASTLE LINER MEETS WITH MISHAP

NO PASSENGERS ABOARD

London, Yesterday. The Union Castle liner "Garth Castle" ran aground early to-day off Aldeburgh Napes on the Suffolk coast, but does not appear to have suffered any damage.

Tugs have been sent from London to assist in refloating her.

It is hoped that with the rising tide this may be effected without difficulty.

The "Garth Castle," which is a vessel of 7,115 tons, was bound for London from Hamburg.

A representative of the Union Castle Line states that the liner has no passengers aboard. She goes to the continent only to load, and having been to Hamburg and Rotterdam, was on her way back to London in readiness for sailing to South and East Africa on Tuesday next.—British Wireless Service.

parted herself for her wars with Austria and France."

Lesson of Isolation

One point more and I will have done. Mr. Meng mentioned China's policy of isolation in Li Hung-chang's time. That word *isolation* is well worth careful study.

China reached a comparatively high state of civilisation while the rest of the world lagged behind. But China was isolated geographically from social and other intercourse on the east by the then unconquered Pacific Ocean, on the west by un-crossed mountains and deserts.

While China has been in a long sleep of winter—and isolated—other nations have enjoyed the fruits of summer, or are still enjoying them. Japan is changing, literally, from late spring into summer (with a few spells of figurative bad weather to tide over, such as the Earthquake and the Financial Crisis). But China, once she has roused herself thoroughly from that long sleep—and she does not need anybody to present her with any more alarm clocks—she will have the whole of a new spring, a new summer, and possibly a good autumn to look forward to as well, with her incalculable natural wealth.

"It is always my conviction that a war with foreign country is essential to our unification. The victory of the North over the South did not truly unify America [what Mr. Meng said was that the South beat the North but I have set down what I think he means], but the war with Spain did.

"What was needed by Germany is more badly needed by China for two reasons:—It is the only way for China to solve all knotty problems with Japan and Russia, and secondly, it is the only way by which the south and the north would give up their differences for the unification of China.

"So, while the Japanese imperialists and the British die-hards talk of the revival of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, we the Chinese, should discuss the formation of a Chinese foreign policy which, we suggest, our government should model upon Bismarck's Iron and Blood Policy."

"So, though the disbandment of surplus troops is considered as one of the important items in the reconstruction of China, we want to remind our Government that China at present is entirely unprotected. To leave only 500,000 soldiers to protect the whole of China is not, to our opinion, sufficient.

"What should be done is that the Chinese armies must be reorganized. At the same time, compulsory education and military service must be enforced and more arsenals should be built.

"China should prepare herself to be ready to challenge any power, just as vigorously as Germany prepared to be enemies or disinterested."

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The Director of Public Works notifies that the call sign "G.O.W." used by Victoria Peak Wireless Telegraph Station, Hong Kong, has been changed to "Z.B.W." [To-day's broadcasting programme appears on page 11.]

FIxes OWN FUNERAL

How Death Came To A Chinese

Lyhsian (Chihli) Death came to Kou-sien-cheng, an octogenarian of the Catholic settlement at Wan-an, Chihli, China, and found him prepared. Some time before in perfect health, he had got ready his own sepulchre and gathered the articles to be used at his funeral. To the amazed neighbours he explained that he expected to die "on the eighth day of the moon."

They recalled his robust figure and his activity in walking on foot to the Catholic Congress during the summer without the slightest fatigue, and wondered.

The death of the elderly gentleman was very peaceful. Though baptized but ten years ago he was a fervent Catholic.

To the group that gathered on the "eighth day of the moon" he spoke on religion for several hours without any sign of weakness. He then received the last rites, retired to bed, and passed away immediately without a struggle. [Fides—

"The Rock."]

It is understood that the question of the mode of transport to be used for the King's journey to Bognor is at present receiving serious consideration by his medical advisers. A motor ambulance was in the grounds of the Palace to-day. It is thought that a large and modern well-equipped ambulance, probably from one of the hospitals, may be used to remove the King.

No Bulletin

No bulletin regarding the King's health was issued this evening.

DID NOT RETURN

FOKI AND CHEQUE FOR 2,500

An accusation of larceny by balleen against his employee was made by the holder of poultry stall No. 82, Central Market to the Police yesterday.

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DID NOT SUCCEED

TWO CHINESE ATTEMPT SUICIDE

Two cases of attempted suicide, both by swallowing a dose of opium, were reported yesterday. Both cases concerned Chinese men.

The first was that of Tsang Tang, unemployed, of No. 21, Connaught-road West, and the other that of Ng Shek-lam (26 years of age), of No. 239, Des Voeux-road West.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 1/18.

INDIAN SCHOOL

EXPRESS DRIVER ACCUSED OF MANSLAUGHTER

London, Yesterday. Ernest Henry Aldington, the driver of the express involved in the disaster at Charfield last Oct. has been acquitted by the Gloucester Assizes to-day on a charge of manslaughter.

The Lady Mayoress has kindly consented to perform the opening ceremony. His Honour the Mayor will not be present.

DISASTER ECHO

SIX RAILWAYMEN KILLED IN KENTUCKY

LUCKY PASSENGERS

Henderson, Kentucky, Yesterday.

Six railwaymen were killed in a head-on collision between a passenger and goods trains near here.

None of the passengers was seriously injured.—Reuter's American Service.

INDIAN SCHOOL

CHANGE OF HEAD MASTER ANNOUNCED

At the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians this morning it was announced by Mr. A. el Arculli, who presided, that Mr. A. R. Sutherland, who had been transferred to the Education Department during the year, would not be returning as head master of that school, and that his place would be taken by Mr. A. T. Hamilton, of Queen's College.

Mr. el Arculli paid a tribute to the high standard of work done by the School as was exemplified from the fact that, in the annual examination, 100 per cent. of Class 4 had passed for the fourth year in succession.

The annual report of the School work was read by Mr. Bishen Singh, the acting head master, and Mr. el Arculli presented the annual prizes.

APPOINTMENTS

The "Gazette" announces the following appointments:—Inspector

Frank Shafrazi to be an Examiner of Weights and Measures under the Weights and Measures Ordinance, 1886, section 4, and also an Inspector under the Gunpowder and Fireworks Ordinance, 1901, section 14.

Mr. Saf-hong to be a "Forest Officer" for the control and superintendence of the forests of the Colony, with effect from January 19, 1929.

POPPY DAY RESULT

The report of the Poppy Day, 1928 activities by the British Legion, Hong Kong, shows that a total of \$16,866.49 (total in sterling \$1,747 4s. 8d.) was remitted to Headquarters in London. \$5,927.95 was collected from Clubs and the sale of poppies realised \$5,783. Expenses amounted to \$106.60.

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Monday, February 11th, 3.30 p.m.

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W. HYDE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd Feb. 1929.

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Hong Kong, 1st Feb. 1929.

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13th April.
27th April.

18th & 20th May.

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16th November.

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TANGO MARU Wednesday, 20th March.

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TAMBA MARU Monday, 11th February.

SEIYO MARU Sunday, 24th February.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.

ANYO MARU Friday, 1st February.

BUOKUYO MARU Saturday, 9th March.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.

KAWACHI MARU Monday, 4th March.

NEW YORK via PANAMA.

KUMA MARU Saturday, 9th February.

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ATLAS MARU Friday, 8th February.

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Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.

MONTEVIDEO MARU Friday, 8th February, 1929.

BOMBA—Via Singapore & Colombo.

HONOLULU MARU Sunday, 3rd February.

SUMATRA MARU Tuesday, 19th February.

DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.

CHICAGO MARU Tuesday, 6th February.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

SEATTLE MARU Friday, 1st February.

KASASO MARU Monday, 18th February.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports From Shanghai.

ALABAMA MARU Sunday, 3rd February.

MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.

HIMALAYA MARU Wednesday, 6th February.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon.

KOHSO MARU Monday, 4th February.

HAIPHONG—Via Hanoi & Pakho.

MENADO MARU Thursday, 14th February 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.

JAPAN PORTS.

SHINNOH MARU Saturday, 2nd February.

ALASKA MARU Tuesday, 12th February.

KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.

CANTON MARU Sunday, 3rd February Noon.

HOAON MARU Sunday, 7th February Noon.

TAKAO, KEELUNG & AMOY.

Thursday, 7th February 10 a.m.

TAKAO & KEELUNG.

TUESDAY, 26th February.

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HONG KONG'S POOR

Work of the Benevolent Society

ENCOURAGING YEAR

Need For More Members Emphasised

The annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society was held in the St. John's Cathedral Hall last evening, in the presence of a fair gathering of members and those interested in the work of the Society.

Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, President of the Society, presided, and on her proposal, Mr. R. Sutherland, O.B.E., took the chair. They were supported on the platform by Mrs. E. Cock, Vice-President, and Mrs. J. McCormack, Hon. Secretary.

After Mrs. McCormack had read the notice convening the meeting, Mr. Sutherland presented the minutes of the previous meeting which were duly confirmed and signed.

The Report

The Annual Report for 1928 stated inter alia:

31 applications were made for relief, the majority being given as assistance, 61 being new cases, the remainder being found unworthy or being dealt with by other Societies. The number of persons who received benefit during the year is 141; this is exclusive of children put to school by the Society. 29 cases have been assisted financially with sums ranging from a few cents to £312. 13 have been found employment and passages to England, Australia, Shanghai and Manila have been secured (in some instances with the co-operation of other Societies). Landing money and pocket-money have also been given.

During the past year, at a cost of approximately \$3,000, 21 children have been supported at different schools and the Directors of the following schools, made this possible by accepting reduced fees—Diocesan Boys' School, Diocesan Girls' School, Italian Convent and St. Joseph's College.

The following ladies served on the Committee—Mrs. Nisbet (President), Mrs. Alabaster, M.B.E. (President and Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Cock (Vice-President), Mrs. Shellshar (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. McDermott (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. J. H. Hunt (Hon. Secretary), Mrs. J. McCormack (Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Featherstone (Assistant Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Sheldon (Assistant Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Southorn, Miss Drury, Mrs. Innes, Mrs. G. Murray, Mrs. Maitland, Mrs. Tracy, Mrs. Schultz, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Weall, Mrs. Wodehouse, Mrs. Comrie, Mrs. Black and Mrs. Carrie.

THE BALANCE SHEET

Receipts

Balance in Current A/c

Jan. 1, 1928 \$ 179.80

Subscriptions 693.48

Donations, Members, etc. 731.00

Donations 1,691.00

Life Members 350.00

Annuality, Sir E. Kadoorie Trust 443.44

Hong Kong Government Grant 1,000.00

Miscellaneous 386.25

Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, Dobeiture Redeemed 50.00

Two Hong Kong Club Debentures Redeemed 1,000.00

99,263.33

Expenditure

Relief of Cases \$2,208.15

Education of Children 2,898.80

Rent of Room, etc. for Destitutes 511.00

Passages, etc. 476.47

Printing, Advertising and Sundries 462.72

Transferred to Fixed Deposit 1,052.50

Cash in Current Account, Dec. 31, 1928 (including Dividend Warrant \$280 Hong Kong Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.) 1,658.69

39,288.93

Afterwards the Chairman addressed the gathering as under:

The report just read is so full of interest and detail that it would seem almost superfluous to add anything to it; still we are a changing community and the following remarks I trust may in any case be of interest to new-comers to the Colony.

Another year has gone past and it has been a period when unfortunately even more distress than usual has become apparent. No less than 141 persons have come before the notice of your Committee and have received assistance in some shape or form. On the other hand, it has been a year in which we have been better supported by the Community in the way of contributions, for which I now express our hearty thanks. Last Meeting when I had the honour of addressing you, I think the ground was pretty fully covered and the aims and ambitions of this Society, which has been in existence since 1889, were adequately dealt with.

We have, for instance, some 20 odd children at school, we are entirely responsible for the necessary fees and having started their education, it would be unthinkable

to terminate it through lack of funds, so you will see that our future responsibilities require the most careful consideration and thought.

Steady Income Wanted

To meet all our requirements we must have a steady income and this can only be done by enrolling more members.

One of the most difficult tasks of your Committee is that of obtaining employment for those who find themselves stranded in the Colony, in many cases through no fault of their own. This leads sometimes to heavy outlays for repatriating deserving cases, and I would once more ask the co-operation of all in the Colony to extend a helping hand to members of the Committee when approached in this connection.

We want \$12 a year, which only means \$1 a month, from all and every person who can afford it. It is a small sum but it means a great deal when it brings comfort, health, and a brighter outlook on life to many who without its aid might sink and go to the wall; and the East, as we too well know, is a bad place to go down hill.

Members Wanted

Some time ago I tackled a friend whom I knew very well, as to why he was not a member of the "Benevolent Society" and his reply was amusing and somewhat typical. He said—"I am not a member, but I told my wife to send down a lot of old clothes to you the other day." Mark you, every such contribution is most welcome, but we must point out that our responsibilities and our commitments are on a cash basis—

for instance, we cannot go to Steamship Companies, when we have a call for a passage Home and say, "What is the cost of a 2nd Class passage to England please, and can you let me know how much it will come to in old shirts and trousers?" Neither can we say to the Principals of those schools who have done so much for us—"Please, how much do we owe you for fees, and we would like to pay in collars and socks." No! you will see that is quite impossible, therefore we must ask for money and, like Oliver Twist, "we want more."

We are deeply grateful for the donations from Clubs and private individuals, and the annual grant of \$1,000 from the Hong Kong Government is a welcome stand-by, it makes us feel we have

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St. No.	Tons	From Hong Kong About	Destination
KEDDERSPORE	5,034	7th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
KASHGAR	9,005	16th Feb.	M'selles, Blanca, L'don & Hull.
MACEONIA	11,120	2nd Mar.	M'selles & London.
*PADUA	5,007	9th Mar.	Hamburg.
KHIVA	9,135	10th Mar.	M'selles, London & Hull.

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BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS.

TAKIWA	7,936	14th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKADA	6,049	23rd Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALAMDA	3,013	11th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALMA	10,000	12th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South).

TANDA	6,056	1st Mar.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
ST. ALFANS	4,500	20th Mar.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney &
ARAFURA	6,000	3rd May	Melbourne.
TANDA	6,956	1st May	

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TANDA	6,056	5th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
TALAMDA	8,018	12th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama & Osaka.
KHIVA	9,135	16th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama.
MURZAPORE	6,715	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
TALMA	10,000	10th Mar.	Amoy, Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
MAIWA	10,983	1st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NAGPORE	5,283	4th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KUYDER	9,114	8th Mar.	Shanghai.
SANTHA	7,754	15th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama & Osaka.
NALDEA	10,008	15th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KARMAKA	9,128	22nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
LAHORE	6,252	25th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

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S.S. "AUTOLYCUS" ... Via Suez Canal 18th February.
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S.S. "LAOMEDON" ... Via Suez Canal 5th April.

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TONG TEA

ORIGIN OF A SPECIAL BRAND

Tong Tea has gained so much popularity locally that not a few are interested to know its origin. In this connection it is interesting to note that this special brand of tea was created by Mr. Tong A-wai, an expert on tea with a world-wide reputation. He is the founder of the China Tea Co., of Shanghai, a branch of which was recently opened in the Colony.

The popular Tong Tea is grown solely in the Keemun district of Anhui Province of China, which had long been famous for its tea because of its being free of tannin, and therefore it has a sweet and delicate flavour which is peculiar to it alone.

The China Tea Co., which owns its own tea gardens in Keemun, has an up-to-date factory which is equipped with all the latest machinery necessary for the preparation and packing in small tins of its tea, which during the short length of time it had been on the local market, has already met with much favour.

For proper enjoyment of this tea, it should be taken without milk, but a little sugar may be added according to taste.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS

Passengers arrived by the P. & O. "Mora" from the North yesterday morning were:-

Miss J. Ellison, Mr. D. L. Newbigging, Col. N. A. Stewart; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Willis, Mrs. M. Goolden, Mr. H. C. Pullen, Mr. Yuk Fong, Mr. and Mrs. C. Jacksang, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Lin, Mr. Lam Jacton, Mr. Lam T. Chung, Mr. Lam Tao-pling, Mrs. A. de Roza, Mr. K. W. Tang, Mr. S. H. Tan, Mr. A. Hoong, Mr. G. F. Stavro, Mr. A. V. E. Westerup, Mr. C. E. Hubbard, Mr. Y. C. Lee, Mr. F. C. Lung, Mr. W. S. Dang, Mr. C. P. Lin, Mr. P. F. Lin, Mr. Y. L. Chang, Mr. Ah Kun, Mr. Ah Fong, Mr. C. C. Shilton, Eng. Capt. and Mrs. R. D. Cox, Mr. G. P. Robinson, Mr. A. Q. Prior, Rev. E. G. Hutchinson, Miss Hetherington, Mrs. Yamamoto, Miss K. Shepherd, Mr. P. L. Smith, Miss A. Bignell, Dr. K. Nobeji, Mr. G. Edharum, Mr. James Rivers, Mr. N. M. Green, Mr. and Mrs. E. Von Adelund, Maj. A. C. Birch, Dr. R. Symes, Miss E. Goodenough, Miss A. M. Spinks, Miss A. M. Nickels, Mr. H. C. Russell, Mr. W. R. C. Green, Mrs. A. H. Richton, Lt. Comdr. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Wallace, Mrs. G. S. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Goodacre, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Clarke, Miss J. K. Williamson, Miss B. Glasby, Rev. and Mrs. H. T. Stonelake, Mr. H. L. Mecklenburgh, Mr. T. W. Poutney, Mr. S. W. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davidson, Miss K. I. Swiet, Mrs. B. Littledale, Mr. C. Cates, Mr. H. V. Francis, Mr. F. J. Korsley, Mr. T. A. Randell, Mr. J. Lavelle, Mr. W. W. Murdock, Miss N. S. Stevenson, Miss G. M. Trousdale, Mrs. H. Anderson.

EXCHANGES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London	2/-
Bank, wire	2/-
Bank, on demand	2/-
Bank, 30 days' sight	2/-
Bank, 4 months' sight	2/-
Credits, 4 months' sight	2/-
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/-
On Paris	2/-
On demand	124/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	1317/2
On Berlin	—
On demand	—
On New York	48%
Credits, 60 days' sight	50/4
On Bombay	133/4
Wire	133/4
On Calcutta	133/4
Wire	133/4
On Singapore	133/4
On demand	86/2
On Manila	97/4
On demand	78 1/2
On Shanghai	78 1/2
On Yokohama	78 1/2
On demand	106/3
Gold Leaf 100 fine (per tael)	—
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	9.50
Silver (per oz.)	26 5/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	24 1/2
Copper Cash	Nominal
Chinese Copper Cents	6% prem.
Rate of Native Interests	7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	31% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	1/4% prem.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.	
Paris	124/10
New York	4.84
Brussels	34.89
Geneva	25.21
Amsterdam	12.10/4
Milan	92.65
Berlin	20.42
Stockholm	18.14
Copenhagen	18.18
Oslo	18.19
Vienna	34.51
Prague	163/2
Helsingfors	102/2
Madrid	29.375
Lisbon	109/4
Athens	375
Bucharest	807/4
Rio	5 29/32
Buenos Aires	47/2
Bombay	1/6
Shanghai	2/6 1/4
Yokohama	1/10 1/2
Silver Spot	26 5/16
Silver Forward	26 1/2

RAIN RECORD.

BOTANIC GARDENS' REPORT FOR JANUARY

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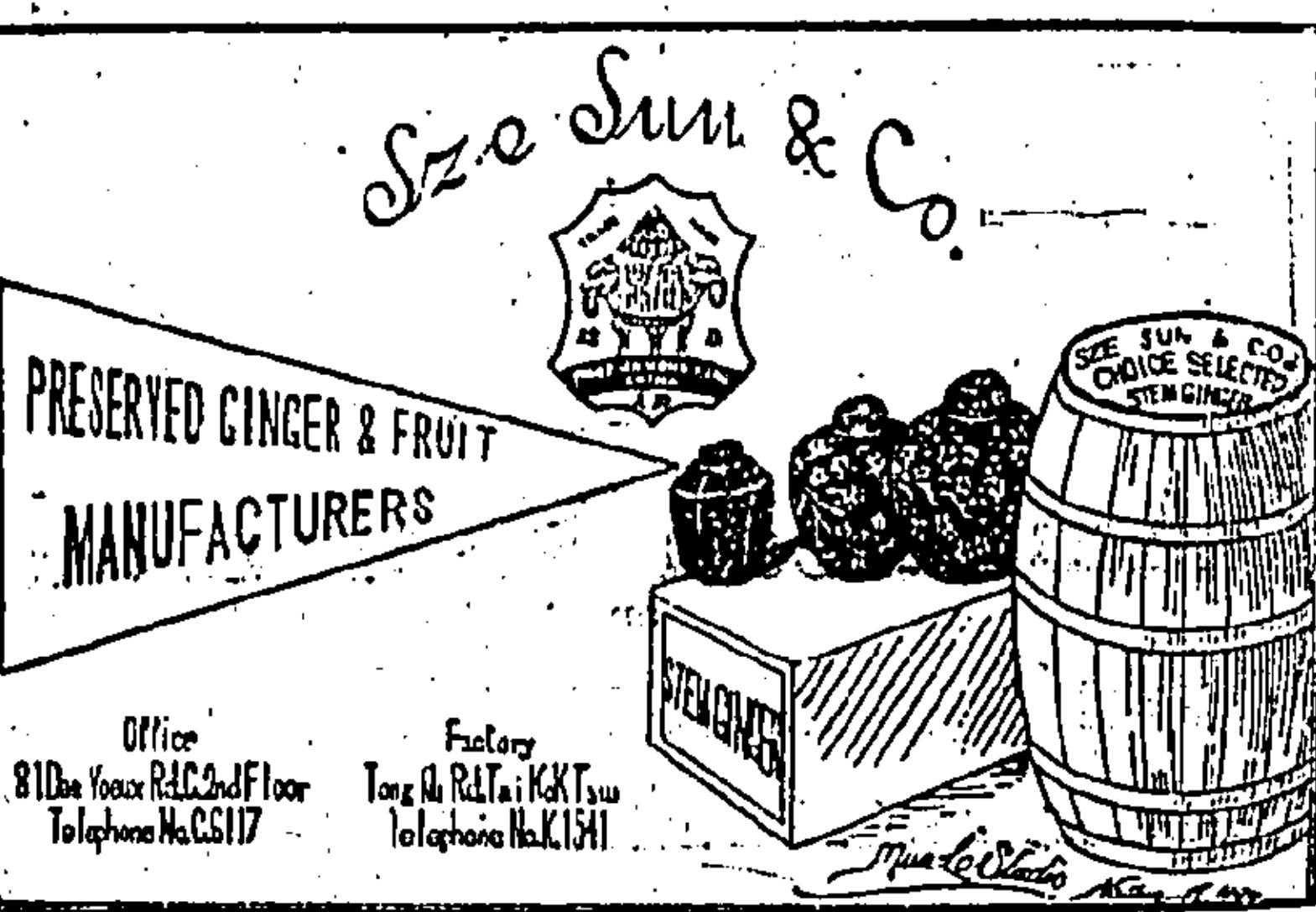
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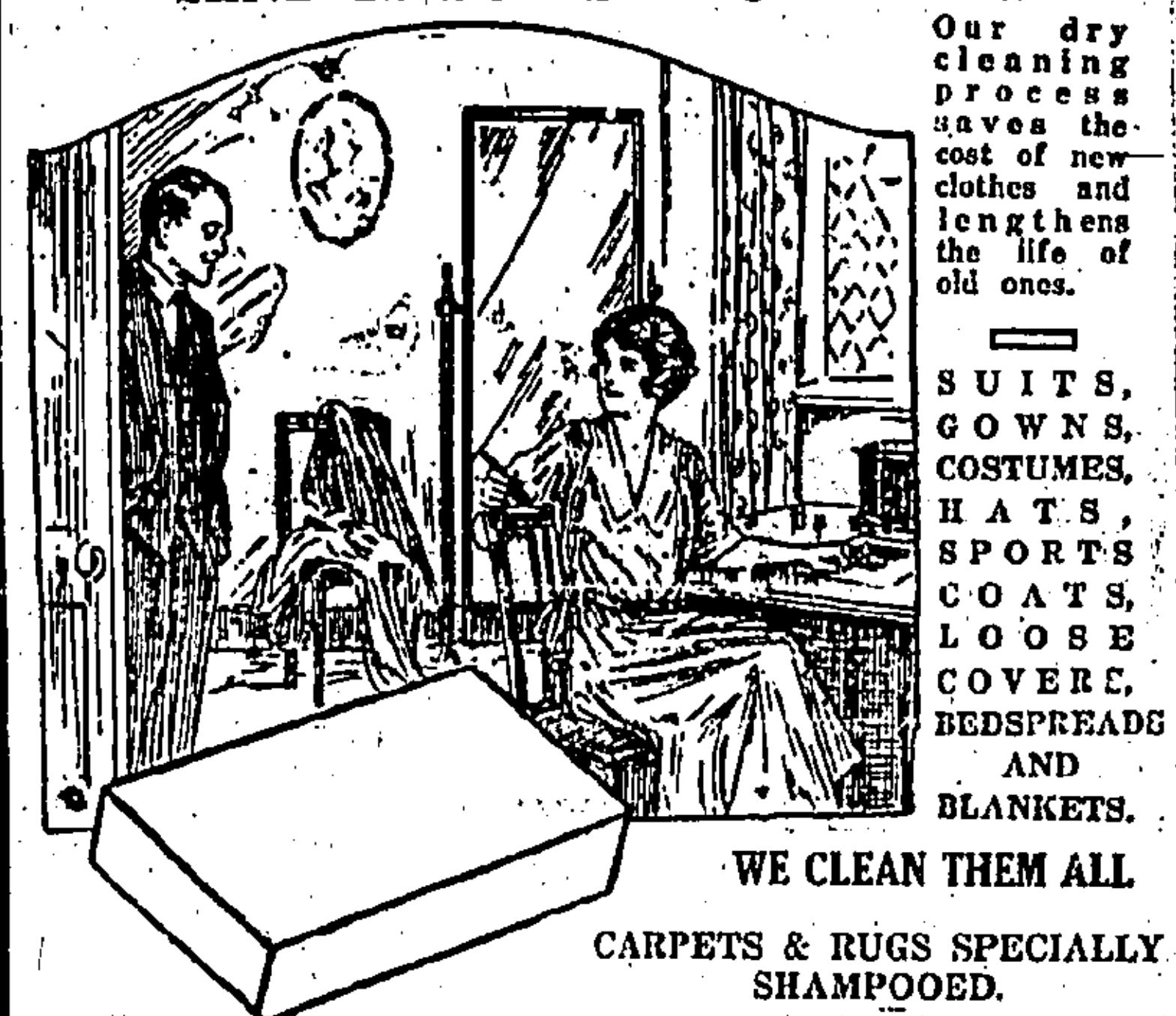
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practically inviting a mishap and, or
may be, the electrocution of a
passer-by or two. As it is always
wiser to be sure than sorry, the
hint is hereby tendered to who-
ever may be "the person in au-
thority" with a view to removing
this certain menace at the earliest
possible moment.

Recently some of
Unmuzzled the good folk of
Kowloon. Tong

have been summoned on account
of their dogs being seen outside
their gates by a vigilant police-
man, said dogs having no muzzles
on when so detected "taking an
airing."

So long as the muzzling
order is in force, it, of course,
must be observed—in reason—in
spite of any sentiment toward the
unfortunate canine who must by
now hate the very sight of
muzzles. Should the vigilant con-
stable mentioned care for a change
of beat, with still some occu-
pation for his idle hands to do, he
could not do better than

transfer his activities to that
portion of Shamshuipo near the
scene of the recent conflagration
of mashed and little brick huts.
There are dogs galore there
amongst the collection of huts
just abutting on to the hills at
the back of Kowloon Tong. Some
have muzzles, but some have not.
These latter wander all round the
neighbourhood looking for food
these cold days. If the authori-
ties still deem that it is unsafe
for them to go unmuzzled, it may
be anticipated that the canine
population of the Dogs' Home will

be increased within the next week
or so—or any old time a vigilant
constable can be spared from
looking after the welfare of the
Garden City, alias Kowloon Tong.

Rumour was busy
Smallpox some days ago, it
Records being a whisper that a couple or so
smallpox cases had been brought
ashore from one of His Majesty's
ships in from the North. Daily
examination of the official returns
of smallpox cases failed to throw
any light on the subject, until a
day or so ago, there appeared the
peculiar item: "Two British,
imported." Why all this secrecy
even if these were cases from a
British warship?

"Asperitis are white sweets sold
in bottles to make you sweat."

"De mortuis nil nisi bonum means
Of the dead there is nothing
left but bones."

"A recipe in piece of paper with
a stamp on it proving that
you have paid your bill."

"The binnacle is the top of a
ship's mast."

"'Electric' Engineer is a swank
name for a plumber."

The Government
In Advance, appears to be in
Please! the running to

earn some notoriety on account of its strictness
in some things only. It saw fit on the 5th ult. to issue notices
demanding payment of water
meter rent for the ensuing twelve
months, said notices being well
and truly "served" on those liable
on the 7th ult. Fresh notices
were then made out on the 26th
ult. and issued on the 27th ult.
threatening the cutting off of the
water supply and legal proceed-
ings in the event of the water
meter rent not being paid within
three days. This procedure has

naturally caused a great deal of
perplexity amongst many of the
recipients of these threatening
notices. But there are others
who are more philosophically in-
clined. These are asking what
will happen if the Government
does fulfil its threat and take
legal proceedings for the recovery
of payment of something in ad-
vance? It would not be a

bad idea for a test case to be
brought to decide whether the
Government's action is not
an infringement of the rights of
the people to be left in their right
and to be left in their right.

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traffic be the weather fine or
otherwise. The Indian traffic
constable has quite enough to do to
control the buses and the motor
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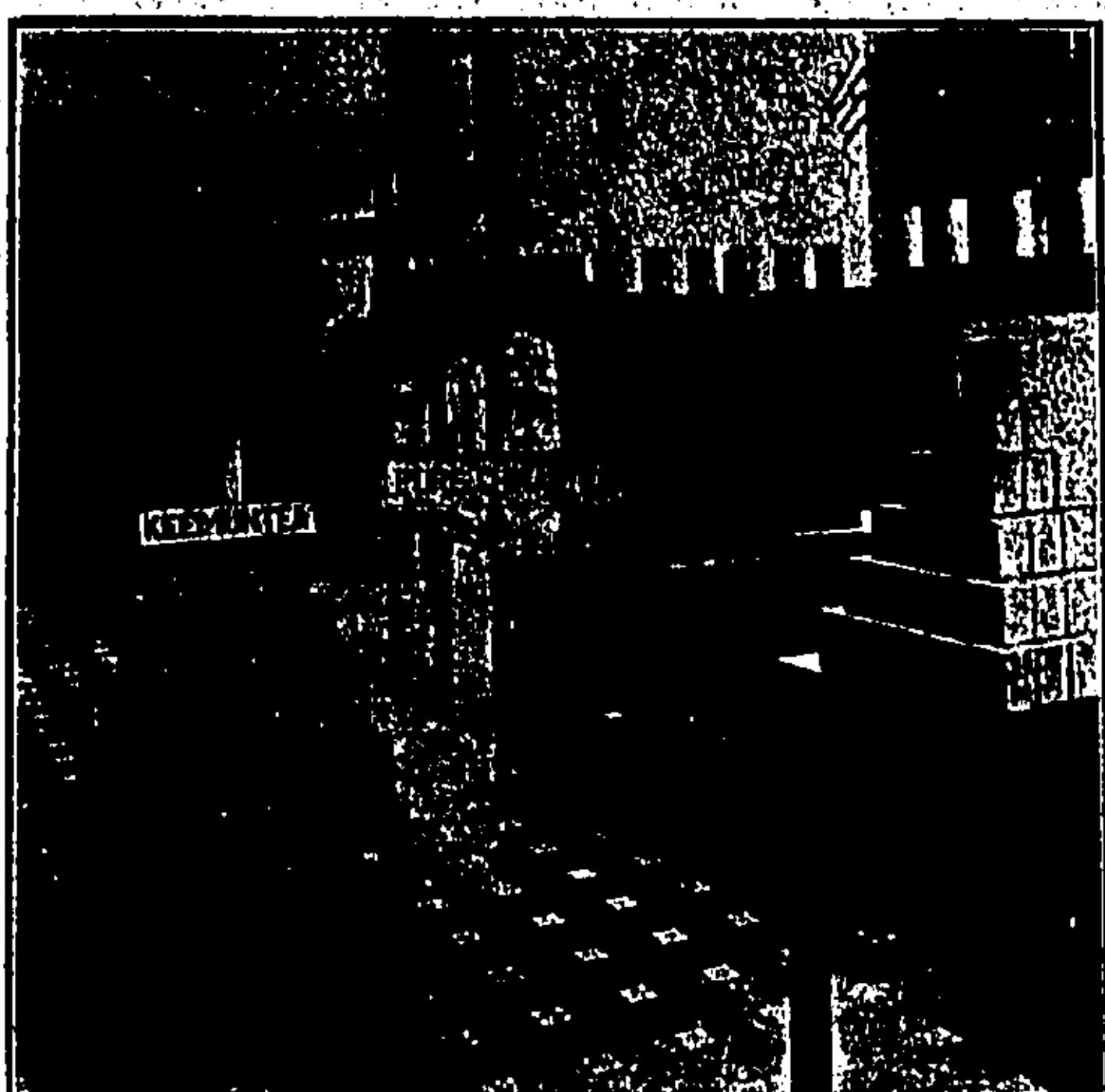
GUARDSMAN'S HEADGEAR.—
"Sun Sui Lun," an actor in the
Tai Law Tin troupe, wearing
headgear like that to be seen in
London.



BASEBALL VISITORS.—The Chinese baseball team of Hawaii, who passed through the Colony on the s.s. "President Lincoln," en route from Shanghai to Manila. They were entertained on the roof of China-building where the above photo was taken. They are expected to return in a few months.—(By courtesy of Mr. Charlie Wong).



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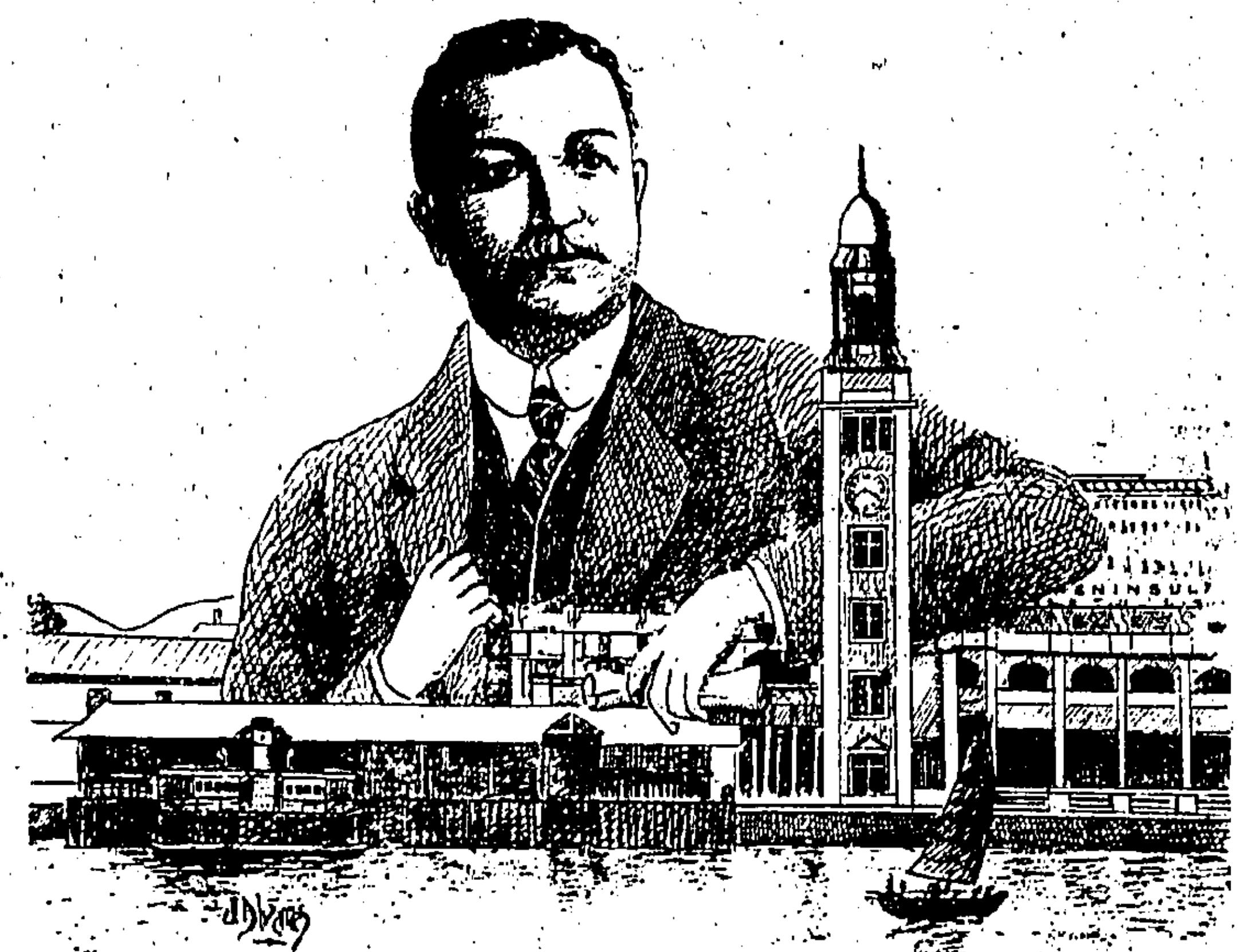
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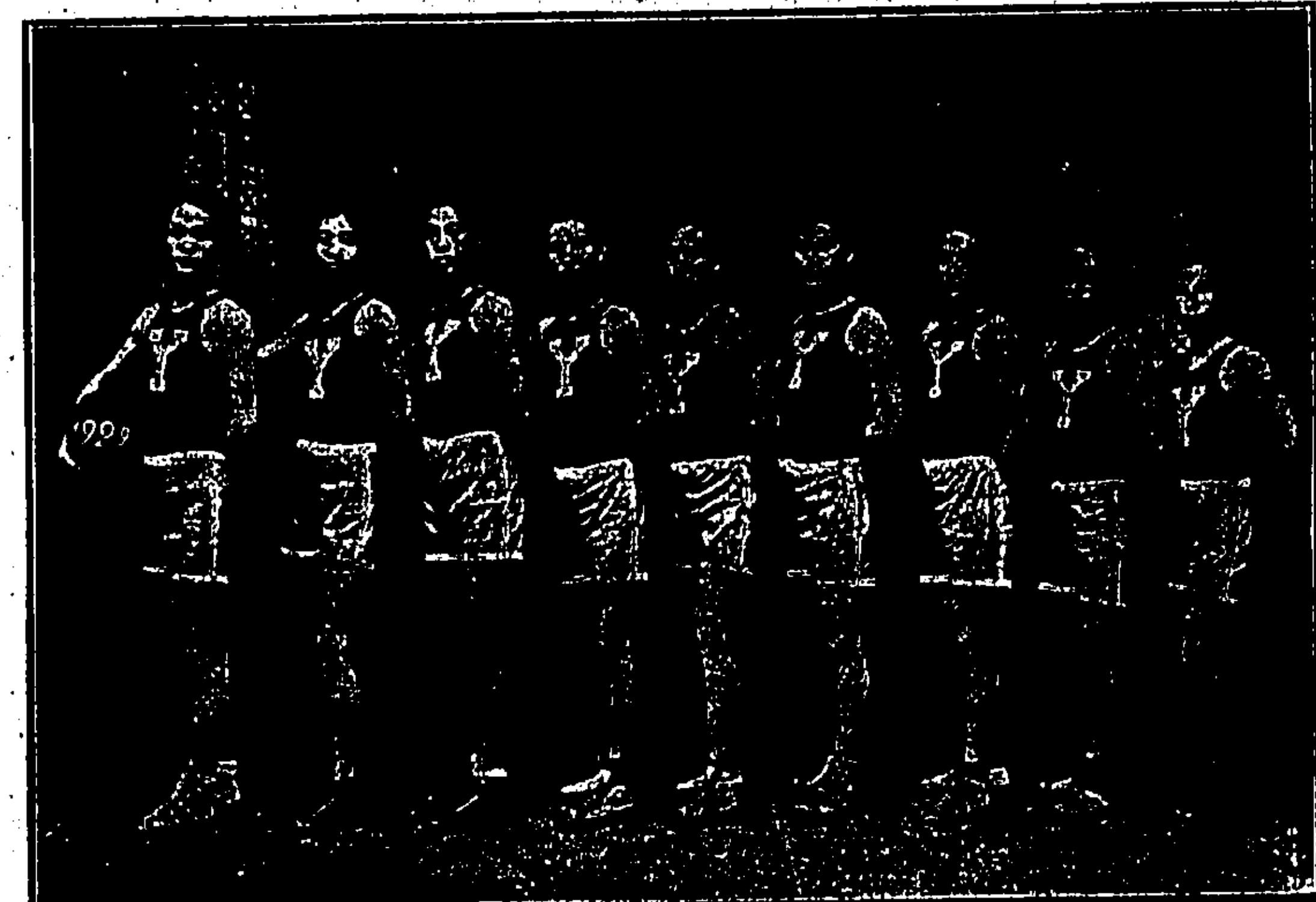


MARSHAL LI CHAI-SUM'S
BROTHER.—Mr. Li Chai-man, a
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who has just returned to China
and is in charge of one of the
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(By courtesy of Mr. Charlie
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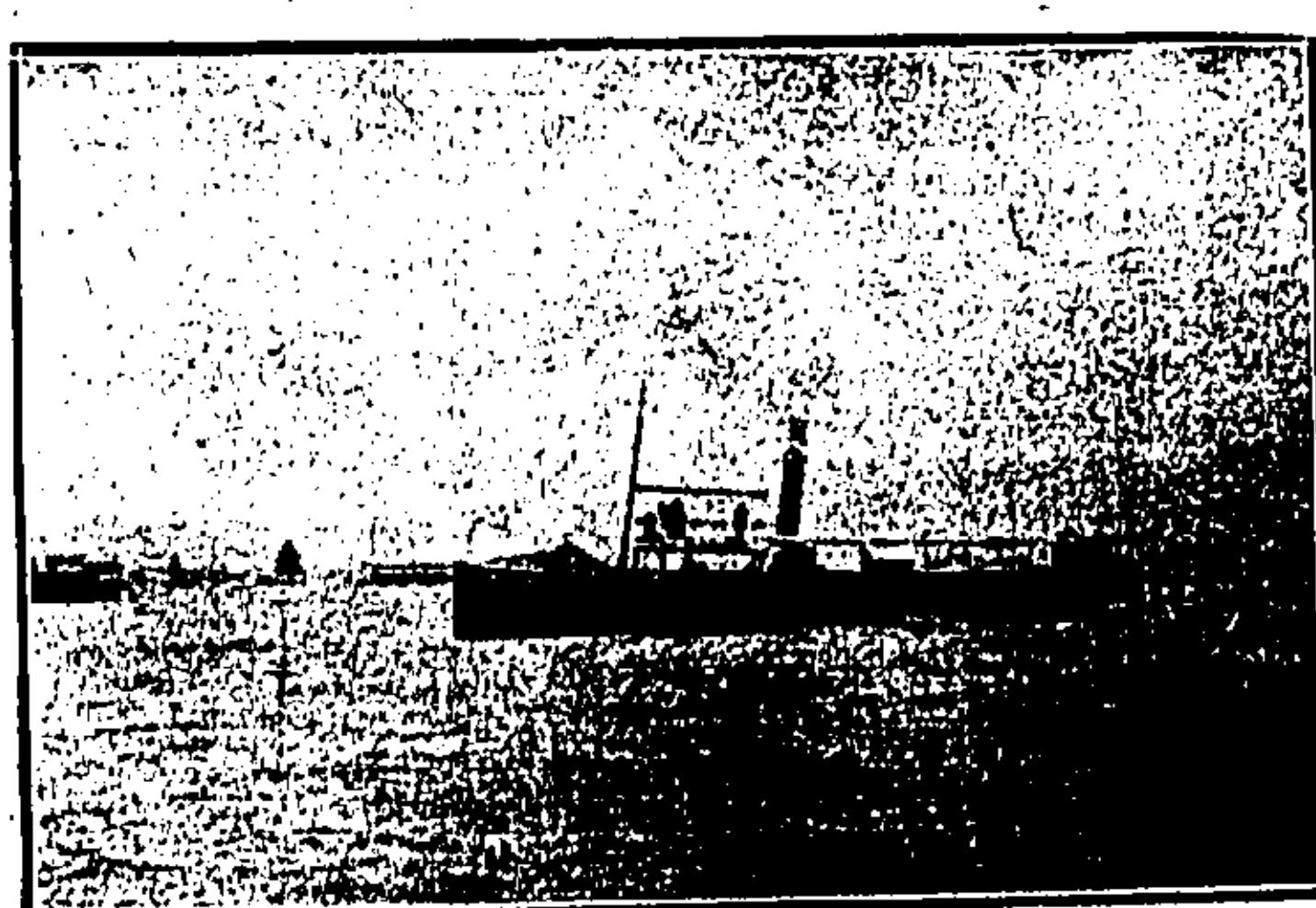


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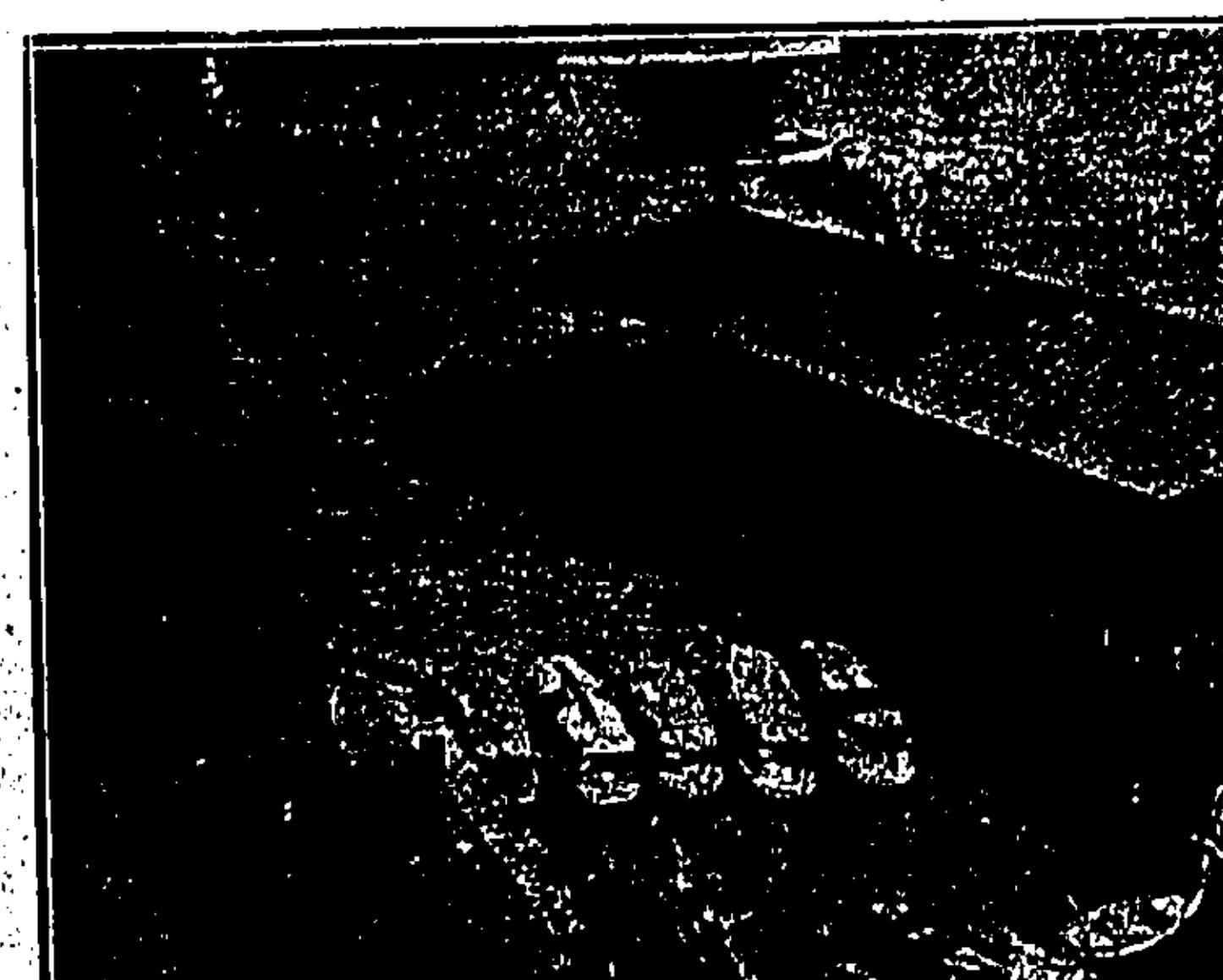
\$60,000 A YEAR.—Mr. Ma Shee-tsang, the famous Cantonese
"star," whose salary is \$60,000 a
year, in his favourite pose.



CHINESE Y.M.C.A. BASKETBALL TEAM OF 1929.—One of the nine teams in the Open
League Basketball Association. From February to April, matches are played on Monday
and Thursday evenings at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges-street. Leung Hau-on, cap-
tain of the team seen in picture, is standing seventh from the left.



HIGH SEA WORK.—Note how the vessel is boarded-in for
safe going in rough weather.



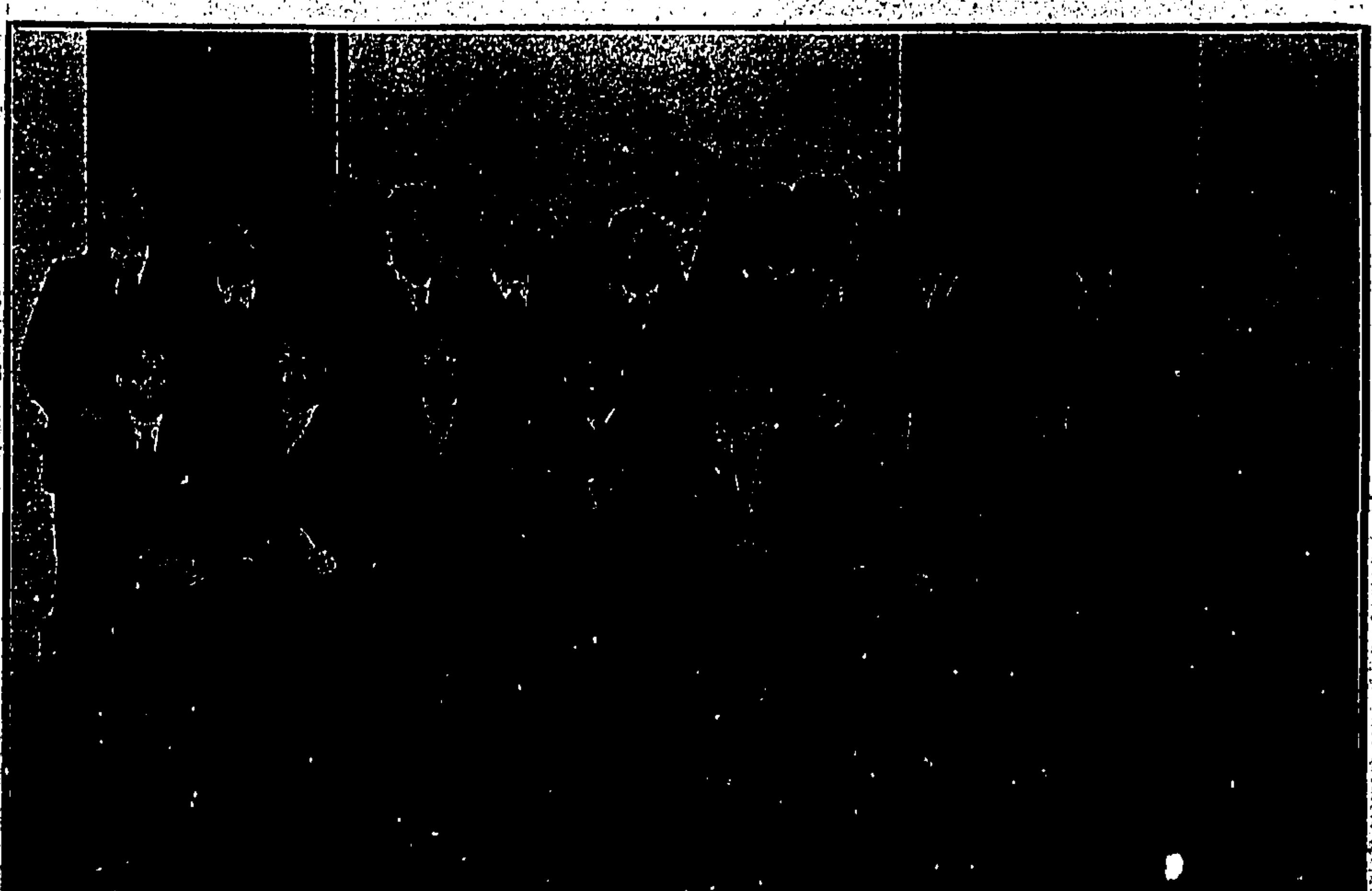
AMONG THE WALLA-WALLAS AND NATIVE CRAFT.—
A typical waterfront scene in Hong Kong.



HOCKEY TEAM.—Of the Machine Gun Corps and Dr. King's
Own Scottish Borderers, winners of the Wilkinson Hockey
Cup, 1928-1929.—(K. Fujiyama).



HONG KONG HAT-FOUR.—The Yacht Club of the Japanese
Yacht Club, holding meetings at the Nippon Yacht Club in Hong Kong.



THE "MAIL'S" FASHIONS ILLUSTRATED

Muffs Make Bid for Popularity



The muff will once again make an effort to achieve popular appeal. They are shown in all sorts of shapes and in most of the flat furs. In general they are small and are designed for comfort as well as chic.

Once upon a time the muff played an important part in the winter ensemble. It either matched fur trimming on the coat, the fur coat itself or was worn with a fur scarf. To-day the appeal is not so general but the sight of the new little muffs is refreshingly quaint and threatens to gain a hold upon popular interests once more.

Muffs are made in several shapes. They are all small, although not so tiny as to appear ridiculous and superfluous. Slender, flat shaped are an ideal choice to accompany the elaborate coats of mink or Persian lamb. They generally possess shaped sides and come without place for purse and vanity articles. These are, of course, of the most dressy variety.

Many of the muffs are fitted with purses and concealed powder cases and mirrors. Many of these are shaped like a handbag and have a pointed flap which makes them open like any other pocketbook. The openings at the sides of the muff are small and shaped and are lined with satin. These muffs serve sports and shopping purposes splendidly as they exert a new appeal in accessories as well as eliminate the need of the pocketbook.

The pocketbook is quite a factor in many of these new muffs. Those larger, flat shaped muffs which are made to fit over the coat cuff are fitted with pocketbook, vanity case and cigarette case and the seamings are so made that the openings do not show.

Then there is the small, round

THE MAGIC DROP

A drop of "Vapex" looks very small, but, when placed on the handkerchief its effects are far-reaching. A single inhalation is sufficient to bathe all the complicated passages of nose and throat in an antiseptic atmosphere. "Vapex" grows stronger on exposure to air, and it is, therefore, very economical in use.

JEWELLERY CONCEITS

Some of the prettiest of the new jewellery conceits are pendants consisting of bunches of grapes in jade and amethyst. New "collar" chokers have discs of gold inset with jade or coral. More brilliant than ever are the shoe buckles of tiny coloured stones that are enjoying a vogue just now.

YOUR CHILDREN

BE FRIENDS WITH THEM

BRIBERY AND THREATS

[By The Hon. Mrs. St. Aubyn]

What is the goal we aim at when we talk of bringing our children up? I suppose parents on the whole are ambitious. They want their children to grow up successful at work and at games and to be honest, straightforward, popular people. If we pause to think we may find we are apt to confuse real qualities with superficial ones which only go to make up charm. What qualities do modern methods of education tend to develop? On the whole the answer would be, I think, independence of thought and action combined with the realisation that the individual is but a part of a whole.

Ruling by Emotions

The old-fashioned method of giving orders without explaining the reason has fallen into disrepute. We realise that the only orders worth carrying out are those executed by a comprehending mind. Only by understanding an order will a child be convinced that it is wise. Without this conviction we should receive from the youngster lip service only. Bribery and threats no longer hold the day.

But do we, by our explanations and attention to the feeling of the children, tend to make them too self-centred and priggish? Control and obedience brought about by discipline are apt to take away initiative and self-reliance. But discipline relaxed and freedom given to the inexperienced are also developmental.

Definite faults, such as lying and stealing, are easier to cope with in these days when grown-up people are willing to devote more time to the study of the child's point-of-view. They now try to find out the motive and remove the cause before condemning a child. How much faults are due to heredity is a moot point, but that the faults of children are very much the outcome of the home atmosphere is fully recognised. Parents believe in the influence of example and therefore take care to choose those in charge of their children carefully. The danger of ruling a child by playing on his emotions, either those of fear or of love, has been criticised. The fact that the removal of temptation is merely an evasion and not a way of strengthening character is also felt, and what I can but call the "force of habit" is highly valued to-day.

Co-operation

Another point of view to be found in all modern teaching is that what we receive voluntarily is more effective than what is forced on us. And so co-operation between children and adults is one of the first things attempted by those interested in children.

To work as an ideal, to receive rewards for the common good, to know that one's actions affect the mass, to acquire a sense of responsibility and a feeling of independence.

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Negligee Varied



There is so much variety in the types of negligees used that every taste may be satisfied in the winter selection of tea gowns and negligees. Just as the dress mode is expressed in terms of variety, the boudoir reflects the modern spirit and appears modishly feminine in ostrich, ruffles and lace or is severely simple in stiff moire and satins.

Doris Dawson, who is smartly outfitted in general in First National's "Naughty Baby," has chosen a distinctly feminine type of negligee to wear in this motion picture. Miss Dawson has chosen a simple and rather old-fashioned negligee of the kimono outline in peach coloured satin. The elongated sleeves, neck and hem are trimmed with curly ostrich that adds to its note of youthful frivolity and femininity. The ostrich trimming is its chief feature, as otherwise the simplicity of the boudoir robe is marked.

In general the negligee mode is becoming more complicated. A wide choice of fabrics lends interest to the boudoir. Moire, brocades and faille silks as well as chiffons and satins are found in all sorts of interesting silhouettes. The sophisticated aspect is represented in deep shawl collars, flounces, tiers, scarfs and trains. Richness of fabric is reflected in the gleaming beauty of silk and the lustre of metallic threads.

Negligees come in one, two and three pieces. There are those designed solely for comfort which are quilted and warm and those which are used solely for decorative purposes. The boyishness and freedom of the pyjama mode is matched with the distinctly feminine appeal of draperies and the exotic uses of gleaming lames colourfully blended in strange silhouettes.

FOR THE YOUNG GIRL

Sashes and ribbons are worn by young girls. Flowers made of the same fabric as the dress are still used for "little" restaurant frocks. For more elaborate dance dresses there are the most elegant and effective trails of jewel-tipped blooms in silk and velvet.

Once are the keynotes of these methods and teaching.

Personal Rewards

Parents now recognise the harmful results of the following three causes and effects:

That personal rewards may tempt a child to cheat.

That fear makes children ill. That repression has many evils.

All these and many other lines of thought have come to the fore in recent years. Parents and educationists aim on behalf of the children at perfection of mind and body on the simplest lines and try and inculcate in children's minds the knowledge of self-mastery in order that they may attain the highest ideals towards which they are capable of working.

How successful these new methods will be of encouraging greater freedom in interplay between children and grown-ups, we cannot yet judge.

But undoubtedly it is pleasanter to be friends with one's children, as is the case to-day, than to be stiff and cold as in the days when children addressed their parents as "sir" and "madam." In those days children hardly knew their parents as part of their daily and intimate life, but thought of them as separate beings to be looked up to rather than loved intimately.

FRAU RAT

TITLES COVERED BY GERMAN WOMEN

BERLIN JEALOUS

Berlin.—The Bavarian Government gave great pleasure last Christmas to several hundred persons by conferring upon them the title of Rat in all its wonderful variety. The word means a councillor, a title which every German covets, and to be a Frau Rat is the ambition of every German woman.

How pleased, for instance, the sausage manufacturer (in Bavaria they politely call him the meat-ware industrialist) Herr Haselberger, of Aichach, or the wholesale grocer, Herr Well, of Munich, must be now that everybody addresses them as Commercial Rat.

Secret Rat

Perhaps this year, like several persons in the Honour List, they will rise to the rank of Secret Commercial Rat. Their friends will miss out the word "Commercial," which is not after all very distinguished, and just give them the title of Secret Rat—that is to say, Privy Councillor.

Among the other titles are:—Justice-Rat (given, oddly enough, to one or two bankers), Secret-Sanitary-Rat, Veterinary-Rat, Trade-Rat—which was conferred upon a butcher and carpenter—and Labour-Rat—conferred on a miner, print-setter in a newspaper office, a brewery worker, and many others.

And if you meet a Secret-Upper-Financial-Rat or his wife, do not address them as Herr or Frau Muller or whatever the name happens to be, or you will give great offence. Please be careful to say Herr (or Frau) Geheimoberfinanzrat.

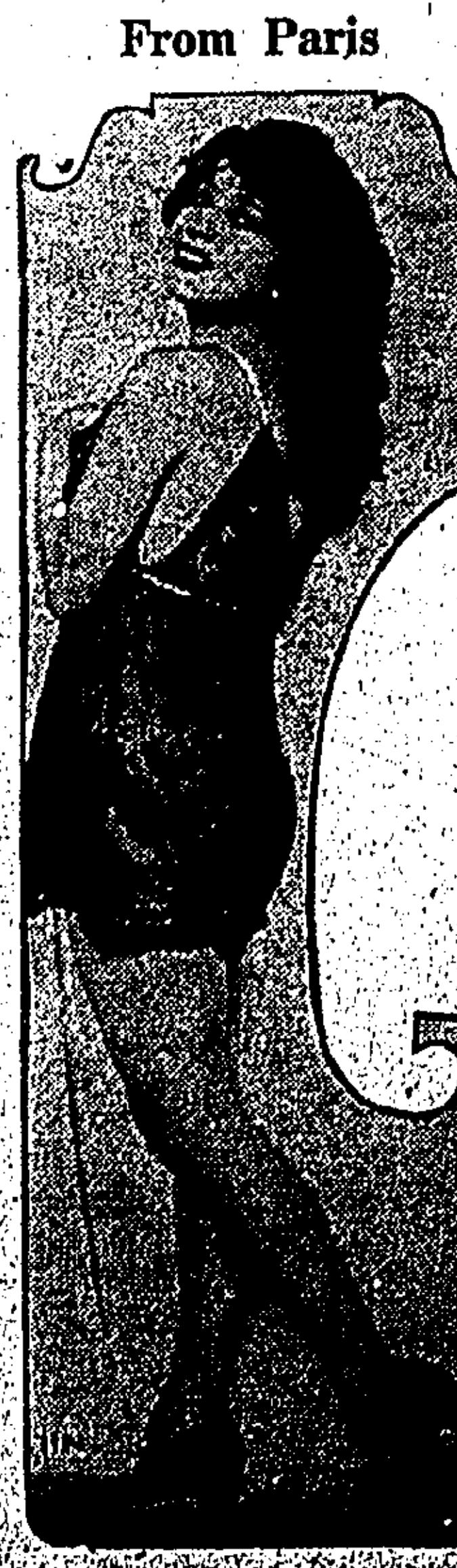
ATTRACTIVE BRIDGE COATS

[By The Hon. Mrs. C. W. Forester in "Daily Telegraph"]

Among a galaxy of beautiful garments denoting the varying ways of fashion, it is always pleasing to turn to those extras that spell charm and comfort in one's own home. For the country house the claims of the dinner coat have been very persistent. The most delightful examples now seem to have become part of the evening wardrobe, and one which assists in our being able to retain the sleeveless frock. But the dinner, bridge, and tea dress are found in all sorts of interesting silhouettes. The sophisticated aspect is represented in deep shawl collars, flounces, tiers, scarfs and trains. Richness of fabric is reflected in the gleaming beauty of silk and the lustre of metallic threads.

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From Paris



Black With Chinese Embroidery



This luxurious pyjama ensemble set consists of a black crisp silk sleeveless jumper, worn with trousers and a hip-length jacket. The Chinese influence is noticeable in the lavish gold-embroidered trimming on both jacket and trousers.

go without and leave the coiffure undisturbed. There are many new ways of finishing necks without resorting to the usual collared effects.

The border of contrasting fabrics is also helpful in a colour-scheme. There are so many shades involved in these metal brocades that it is not difficult by such methods to emphasise the one that best becomes oneself.

Linings this season have represented the warm part of a garment, as there seems such a continuous demand for the floral chiffons, decorative taffetas, and crepes, which, unless lined with velvet, are altogether too cool for winter comfort.

Naturally, such things must be arranged in accordance with our individual modes of life. One hears almost an equal amount of grumbling about overheated rooms as about the too cold ones. In any case, the coat or cape that is part of the frock, or cape that is part of the frock, and can be slipped on and off, is a fantasy of fashion that few of us care to be without.

On the Ice

How well black velvet looks for skating, or rinkling. I was struck by the appearance of narrow forms of box-pleated skirt arranged from a pointed fitted yoke back and front, worn with one of the new very short tailored coats, lined with a bright green-and-white silk and wool fabric to match a striped jumper. A small scarf of half-velvet and half black broadtail matched a close-fitting cloche of the same.

A slim girl looked delightful skating in black velvet breeches and tunic worn with a sporting black-and-white wool cap, scarf, and gloves. Blue suede represents a short sports coat that is well worn over a pleated skirt in blue and grey twill, with jumper, a grey beaver hat, and grey broadtail choker-scarf.

Close-Fitting Hats

For winter the close-fitting hat must remain popular; it is as cosy as well as chic, though a small shape is not chic unless it absolutely defines the silhouette of the head. There is something almost mediæval in the modern caps of fur and felt. Broad bands of fur are worn, entirely covering the ears (shall we all become deaf, I wonder?) with a fitted top and back of felt.

In a new collection from Paris I saw, at least half-a-dozen popular shapes that entirely covered the ears—a method that struck me as quite dangerous. In these days of traffic difficulties, it is not helpful to be run over, even if we do escape chilblains!

In reality, such novelties are more caps than hats, and where they suit are becoming, and, of course, deliciously cosy for winter.

On the other hand, a slightly more decorative and picturesque trend in millinery has been noticeable in models going South. A wide insertion of beige broadtail in a felt hat with wide brim was worn with a graceful scarf of the same fur. A black chiffon-velvet turban has a cluster of black-and-white osprey placed right across the back. A rose-coloured taupe is drawn up into a cluster of silk pom-poms.

Despite the charm of black hats, there are prophecies that brilliantly coloured and larger headgear will be a feature in New Year's fashions, though, as long as fur plays so important a part, sombre shades and small shapes will remain. The beret, so difficult for English women to wear, is still an important Paris vogue.

Young Folk's Fashions

The picturesque note in all fanciful vogues is always charmingly exploited by youth. From a practical point of view floral taffeta and the sprigged voiles and nifons all wear well, retaining their crispness. Plain taffeta is useful, as the changes can be rung with coloured sashes that always suit children. The stiff circular taffeta skirts retain their shape better than the pleated ones for dance and play.

A sweet little party frock, recalling the romantic period, is in a black stiff silk with a design of tiny rose-buds. This is simply made as a quaint Victorian corsage, with its rounded neck and short sleeves, joined to a circular scalloped skirt with pipings. Celanese fabrics are also excellent for children's wear, the lupin-blue Malika being a special favourite. Dickins and Jones have a very attractive selection of children's party frocks, and offer many bargains.

Pamela

is now showing
a selection of
NEW STRAW & FELT HATS
and RACE DRESSES
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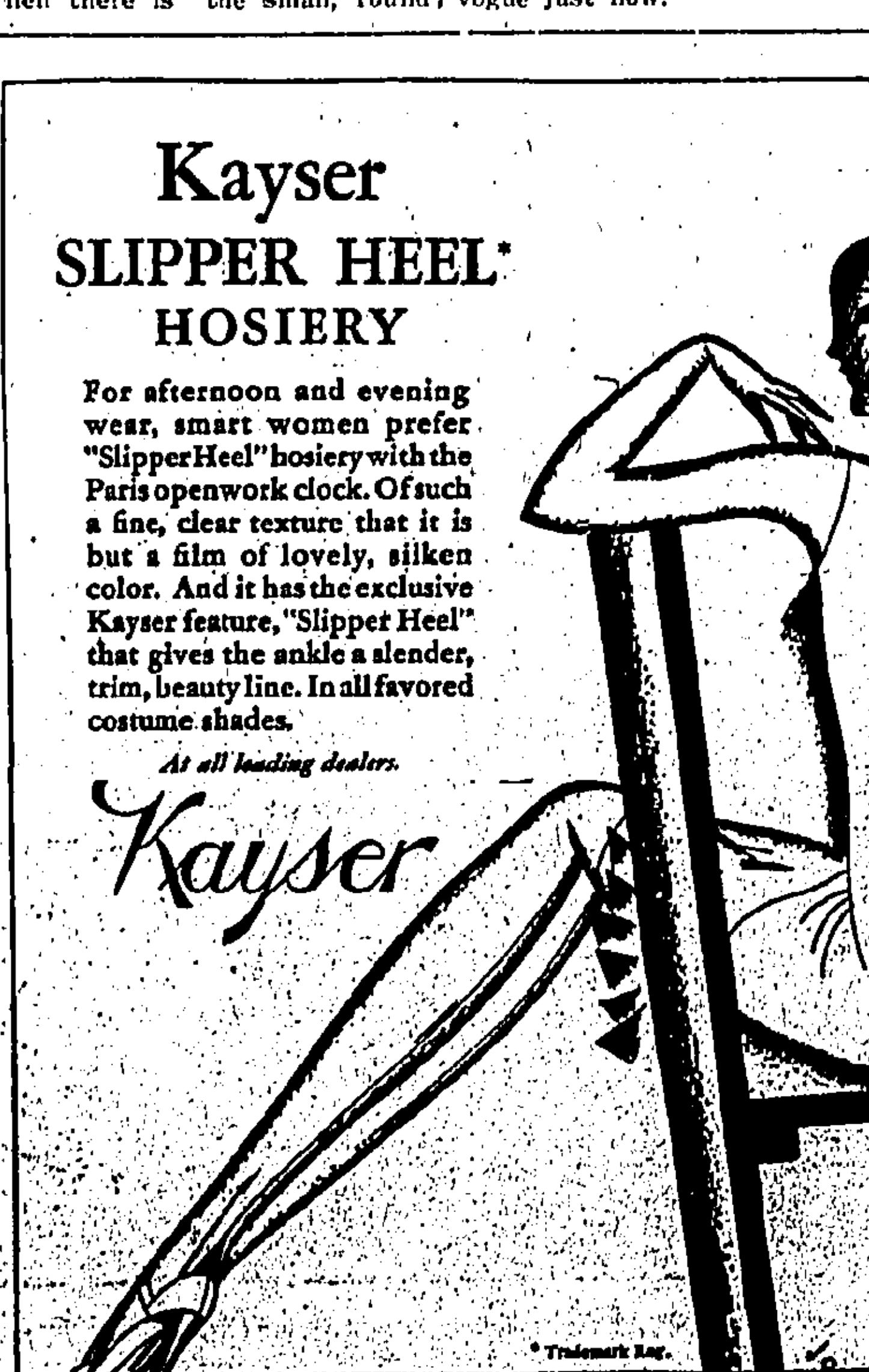
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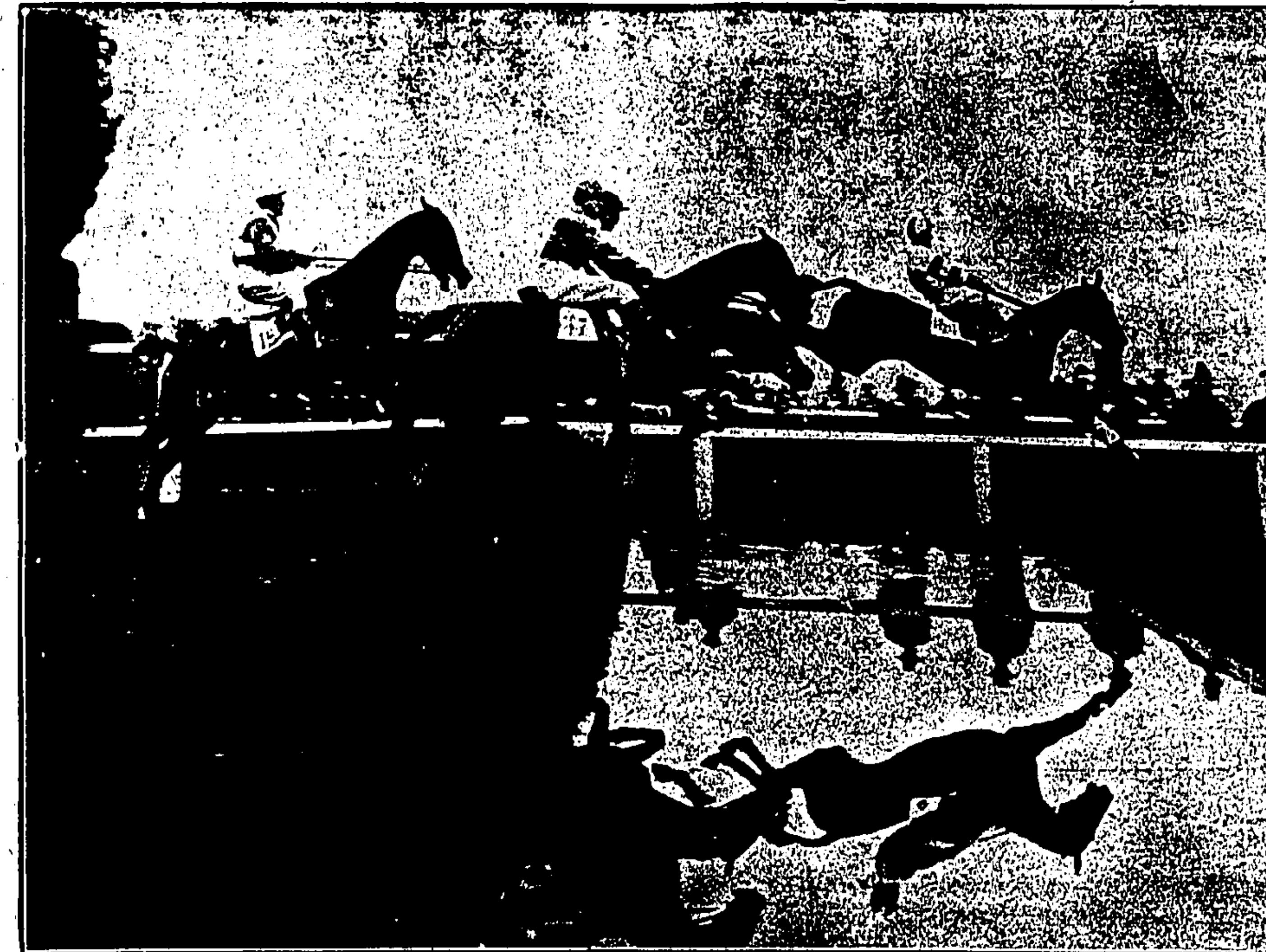
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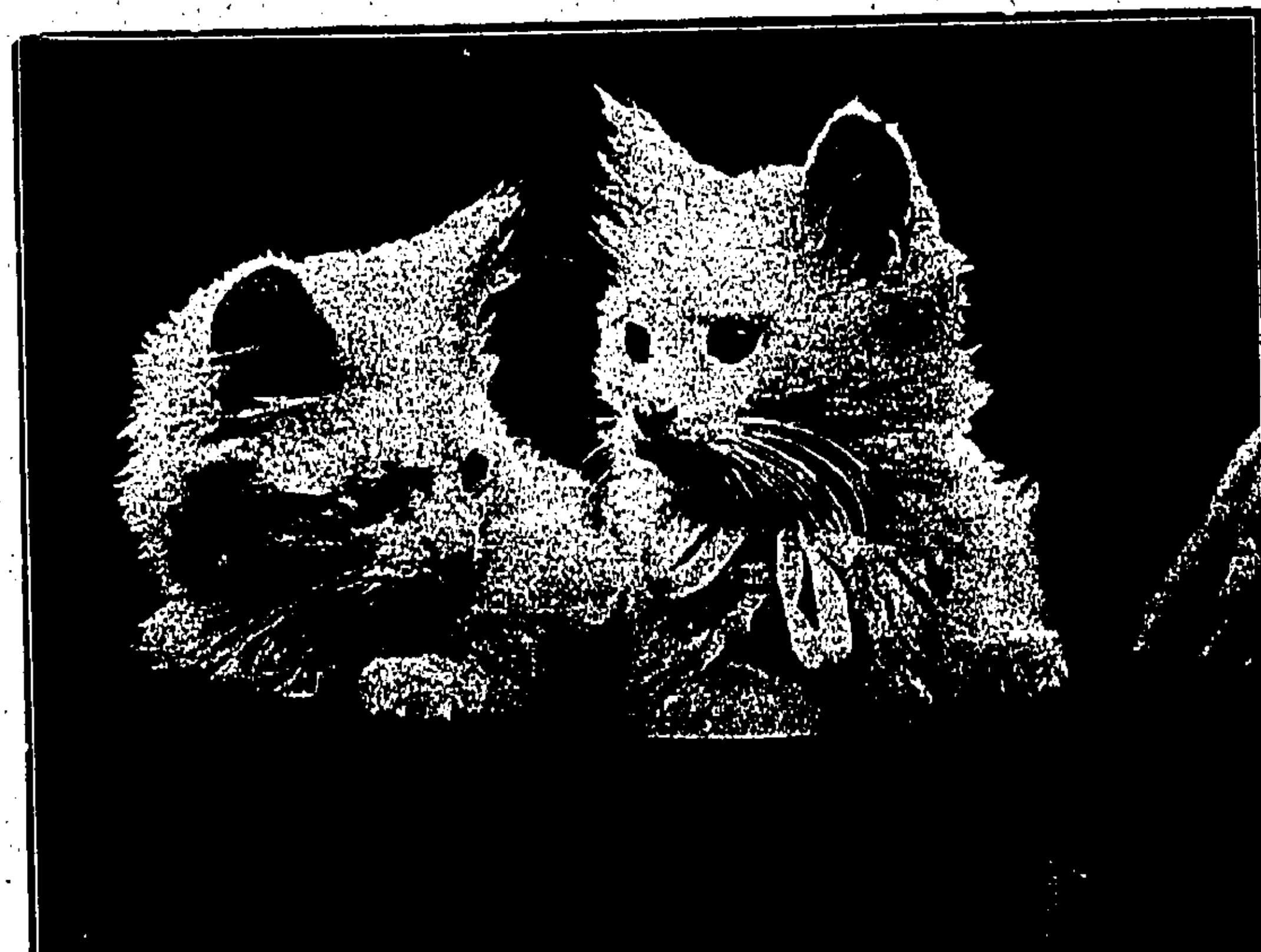
BISHOP'S CONFIRM ELECTION OF ARCHBISHOP OF YORK IN LONDON CHURCH WHERE HE WAS RECTOR FOR FOUR YEARS.—The election of Dr. William Temple, Bishop of Manchester, as the new Archbishop of York, was confirmed by a Royal Commission of Bishops at St. James' Church, Piccadilly, London. Dr. Temple was Rector of this church for four years during the war, 1914—1918. Photo shows the procession on the way for the ceremony.—Dr. Temple is second from the right.—(Sport and General).



NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS AT ONE OF LONDON'S LEADING HOTELS, USHERING IN "1929" IN PICTURESQUE MANNER AT THE MAY FAIR HOTEL, BERKELEY SQUARE, W.—"Hogmanay" piping in the New Year Scottish fashion. Miss Belle Hardinge's Scottish troupe led by Douglas Taylor, bring in the New Year. The ladies in rear are the Hon. Moira Moncrieff (daughter of Lord Moncrieff) and the Hon. Joan Grant (daughter of Lord Strathspey).—(Sport and General).



STEEPLECHASING AT NEWBURY OLD YEAR MEETING, FIRST DAY.—"Reflections at the water jump," in the Theale Handicap Steeplechase. Mr. Hutchinson's "Hard Court" (the winner, on left, No. 15), Mr. Law's "Non Plus" (No. 17) and Mr. H. Napier-Magill's "India's Charm" (No. 8).—(Sport and General).



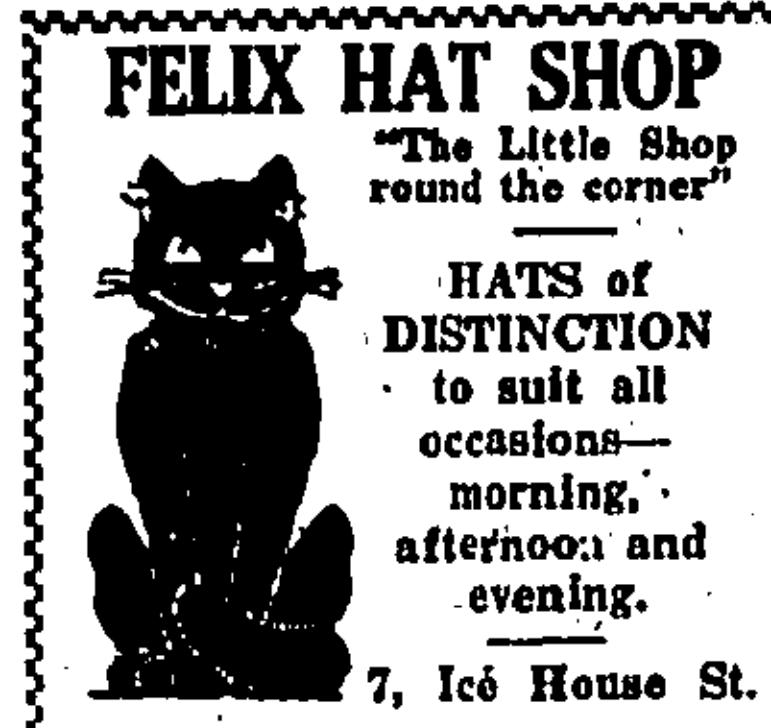
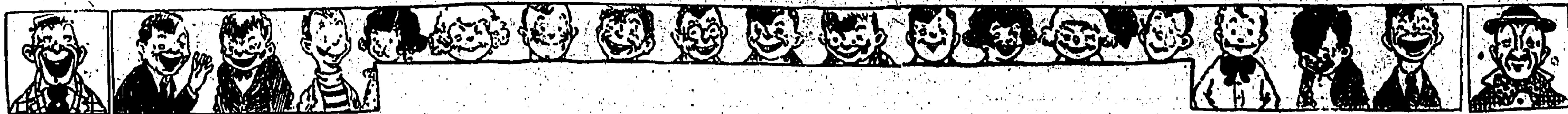
BEAUTIFUL EXHIBITS WERE SEEN AT THE CROYDON CAT CLUB'S CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW AT CROYDON, SURREY.—"A sprightly interest in life." These two little long-haired white Persian kittens make a charming study as they view life from the depths of a bowler hat. (Sport and General).



REGIMENTAL BADGES FASHIONED DURING THE WAR IN CHALK ON THE DOWNS NEAR FOYANT, WILTSHIRE, ARE AGAIN VISIBLE, HAVING BEEN CLEARED OF THE GROWTH WHICH HAS OBSCURED THEM FOR SOME TIME. THE DESIGNS ARE BEING CLEARED BY VOLUNTARY HELP OWING TO RECENT ADVERSE CRITICISM IN THE PRESS. BUT THERE ARE STILL NUMEROUS BADGES AND SYMBOLS TO BE CLEARED.—Photo is of a picture view of the badges of the London Rifle Brigade, the K.R.R., and the wording "Drums" (crests of regiments in Hong Kong have been similarly worked on the hills overlooking Faialing in the New Territories).—(Sport and General).



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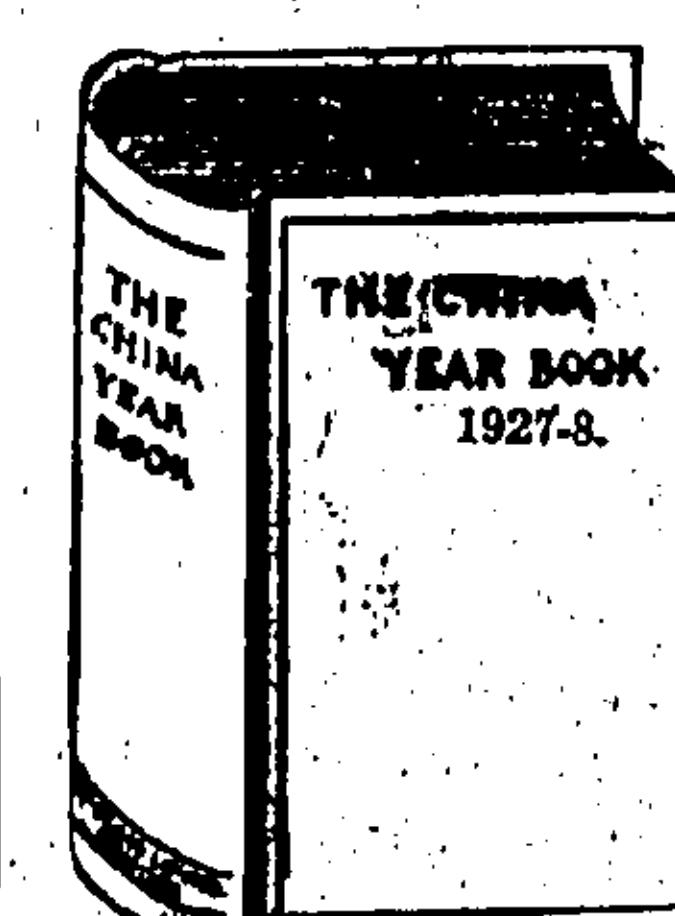
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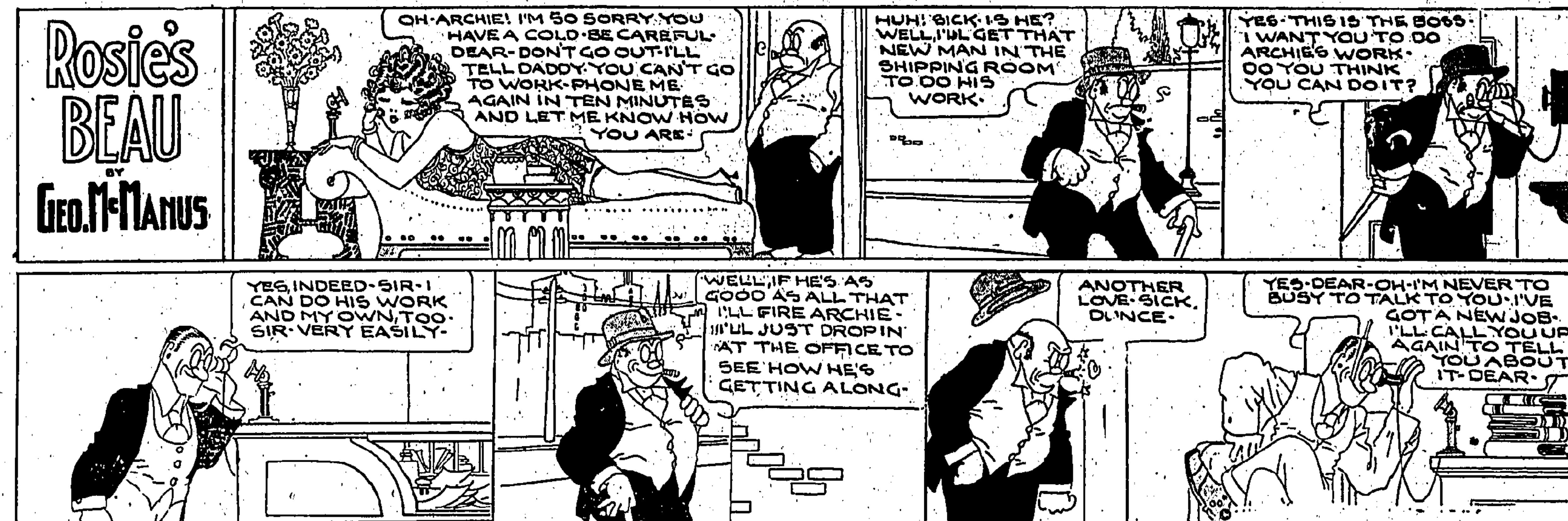
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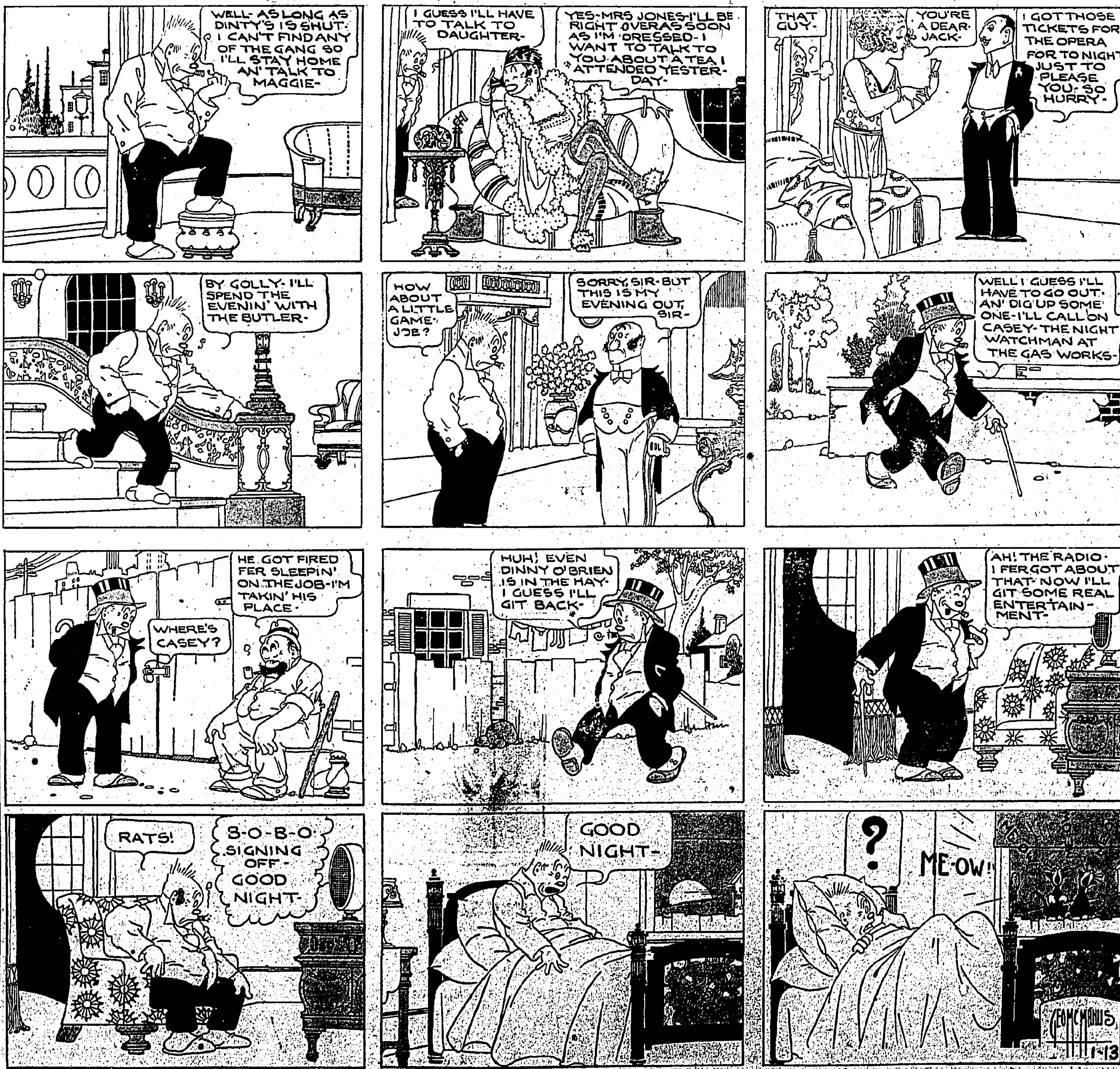
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XVIII.—HAS CIVILISATION MADE US HAPPIER?

No Place for the Lotus Eater: Philosophy of Pleasure-Seeking Wrecked on the Laws of the Universe

[By the Very Rev. W. R. Inge, D.D., Dean of St. Paul's]

In the useful series of booklets called "Affirmations," edited by Dr. Percy Dearmer and published at one shilling by Messrs. Benn, there is one which raises the most fundamental of all questions—Can it be true that God is Love? It is written by the Grand Old Man of the Church of England, Canon J. M. Wilson, formerly Headmaster of Clifton and then Canon of Worcester. He was Senior Wrangler in 1859, and has therefore had ninety years in which to test his faith that God is Love.

This long experience has left him quite convinced that the words of St. John are true, but not at all satisfied with the traditional presentation of them. He dislikes the popular emphasis upon the "personality" of God. "The time will come, indeed it has come, when the text 'God is Spirit' will form the basis of Christian theology." "Christ is the revealer of God as Holy Spirit." "The mental image of a Personal God is necessary to the preacher at the present stage of the world's religious education, but it may not be, I think it certainly is not, the final stage." "It seems to me natural to think of the Holy Spirit not as a Person but as Christ's real conception of God as Divine power and grace and life and light, given to men and implanted in them. Was not this destined to be the final conception of God, behind the image and parable of the transcendent Father in heaven, and destined to replace it?" "The incipient spiritual life in man is verily the Holy Ghost." "May not the true Gospel be the glorious news that man is a partial incarnation of the Divine Creative Spirit?" From this to "God is Love" is an easy transition.

Robust Conviction

There is none of an old man's caution about these "Affirmations." Theologically, they are dangerous. But this robust conviction, that the order of the world is friendly to man, is the reaction of a very long and active life upon his early faith. Like Margaret Fuller, the American blue-stocking, he "accepts the Universe." "God! she'd better," was Carlyle's caustic comment on the good lady's pronouncement. But it was not a silly speech, though it sounds so grandiloquent.

Frederick Myers was once asked: "If you could ask the Sphinx one question, and one only, what would that question be?" After a short silence Myers replied: "I think it would be this: 'Is the Universe friendly?'"

It is the eternal question between faith and unfaith, between hope and its absence. We all know how Schopenhauer answered it. The Universe is unfriendly. Nature has arranged a system of baits and traps to induce living creatures to act in such a way as to serve her purposes, which have nothing to do with our welfare. If we were not beguiled by her wiles, we should see that life is an evil thing, and we should not wish to perpetuate it. For us, as for many Asiatic thinkers, salvation means deliverance from the weary circle of existence, and nothing else.

Nature's Cruelty

There is, of course, very much in our experience which points towards pessimism. Nature often seems quite indifferent and sometimes wantonly cruel. It is only a superficial view which ignores that Nature's law is a conjunction of the verb "to eat," in the active and passive. It is only familiarity that blinds us to the outrages upon human dignity and self-respect which Nature has provided for us when we enter the world and when we leave it. The preliminaries of birth are such that we do not speak of them; the sequelae of death are so revolting that we are fain to hide the remains of our dear ones out of sight before the terrible changes are visible. Is this the conduct of a Power which has any love or care for its creatures?

Can we say with confidence that civilisation has made man any happier? Durer in a remarkable picture represents Humanity sitting sadly among all her cunningly invented toys, sick at heart that they have brought no good with them. "It is the wailing cry," says Wellhausen, "that goes through all the peoples; as they advance in civilisation they feel the value of the goods they have acquired for it."

Many treatises have been written on the Problem of Evil. But it might be held that evil so far predominates in the world that some pup of Mephistopheles might try his hand on a thesis called "The Problem of Good." One could write a dreadfully plausible story showing that Good is the exception

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8 p.m.—Evening Programme (Columbia Records).

"Pomp And Circumstance."

"Marche Lorraine."

March. The Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

Dance Music.

8.30 p.m.

"Just The Reverse,"

"The Face."

Comedian: George Robey.

Dance Music.

9 p.m.

"Blue Eyes," (Do I Do Wrong?).

"Blue Eyes," (from "Blue Eyes").

Duet. Evelyn Laye and Geoffrey Gwyther.

Dance Music.

9.45 p.m.

"Skadat-in-Dee."

"Get Out And Get Under The Moon,"

Comedians: Van and Schenck.

Dance Music.

10.10 p.m.—News Bulletin.

Dance Music.

God Save The King.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

[See announcement on page 1]

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Hangman's House."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Learning to Love."

To-day—Theatre Royal; Farewell appearance of Coyne's Musical Comedy, in a special programme, 9.15 p.m.

To-day—Repulse Bay Hotel Car-

nival.

To-day—Star Theatre; Children's Matinee, "Old Clothes," 2.30 p.m.

To-day—World Theatre; "Why Worry."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Seventh Heaven."

Feb. 3—Star Theatre; "Seventh Heaven," 2.30 p.m.

Feb. 3—Queen's Theatre; "Lost In The Arctic."

Feb. 4—World Theatre; "The Ring."

Feb. 4—Star Theatre; "Chang."

Feb. 6—7—World Theatre; "Crimson Flirt."

Feb. 6—7—Star Theatre "Rosita."

Feb. 6—9—Queen's Theatre; "Street Angel."

Feb. 7—Concert organised by Mrs. L. C. F. Bellamy, at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

Feb. 8—9—World Theatre; "The Denial."

Feb. 8—9—Star Theatre "Bardelys The Magnificent."

Feb. 15—Macdonald Players' Stage "The Philanderers" at Star Theatre, Kowloon in their final performance.

Feb. 16—Variety entertainment by the K.O.S.S. at farewell to Mrs. Luard, Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.

Feb. 19, 21, 22, 23—Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club presents "On Approval," at the Theatre Royal.

Feb. 20—International dance, Club Lusitano.

Feb. 23—International dance, Club de Recreio.

Land Sales.

Feb. 4—At P. W. Offices, four lots of Crown land at Shamshui-poo, 3 p.m.

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Feb. 4—At Sales Room, Duddell's, Miscellaneous goods, furniture, Yale Hardware, etc., etc., 11 a.m.

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Sports.

Feb. 8—Gymkhana of 2nd Battalion King's Own Scottish Borderers, at Kwantai.

Feb. 9—Boxing Tournament at the City Hall, 9.15 p.m.

Feb. 9—10—Papachase, etc., at Canton by invitation of Members of Canton Ride.

Feb. 11—Hong Kong Football Association Inter-club game, Hong Kong v. Shanghai, H.K.F.C. ground, 3.30 p.m.

Feb. 17—China New Year steeplechase, meeting of Fanning Hunt at Kwantai race course.

Feb. 25, 26, 27 & Mar. 2—Hong Kong Jockey Club Annual Race Meeting.

Meetings.

February 5—Forty-first ordinary general meeting, of the Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co. Ltd., at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., 12.30 p.m.

Feb. 6—Annual ordinary meeting of Humphreys' Estates, Finance Co. Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11 a.m.

Feb. 16—Thirty-first annual meeting of the Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce, 12.30 p.m.

Ld. Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., 12.30 p.m.

Feb. 16—Tenth ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., at Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building (6th floor), 3 p.m.

Feb. 18—Annual meeting of shareholders of Hong Kong Realty & Trust Co. Ltd., Exchange Bldg. (2nd floor) Des Voeux Rd. Ctr., Noon.

Feb. 23—Further extraordinary meeting of shareholders of Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, City Hall, 12.45 p.m.

Miscellaneous

Feb. 4—H. E. The Governor performs opening ceremony at the new Alice Memorial Hospital, Bonham Road, 8.30 p.m.

Feb. 4—Lantern Slide lecture at Helen May Institute, 8.30 p.m.

Feb. 6—Rev. Fr. P. Joy, S.J., speaks on "Religion: The Fetters of Freedom," at St. Patrick's Hall, 5 Garden Road, 5.30 p.m.

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Robbery of an American lawyer, Mr. Barry Eastham, and Mrs. Eastham, on the road between Peking and Tientsin.

Capture of Mr. Edward Young, a missionary, by Communists in the south of Kwangsi.

A special article on railways in Kwangtung, following the transfer of control to the Ministry of Railways in Nanking.

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HONG KONG'S POOR

(Continued from Page 4.)

Executive Changes

We have during the year had several changes in the executives of the Society and our thanks are particularly due to Mrs. Nisbet, our late President, who has left for Home and who did excellent work for the Society. Mrs. Alabaster, now our President, leaves shortly and has had to resign. Only those who have been closely associated with her can fully appreciate the energy and interest she has shown during the time she has been connected with us, in all capacities including Secretary and President, she will be a great loss. Mrs. Cook, Vice-President, also retires and we owe much to her for successful efforts in our interests.

Mrs. McElroy took over the Treasurership during Mrs. Shell's absence which helped very considerably.

Mrs. J. H. Hunt throughout the summer resumed her post as Hon. Secretary and notwithstanding indifferent health carried on nobly until by Doctor's advice she was obliged to resign. Her good work is by no means forgotten. Mrs. McCormack has now been elected Secretary and we extend to her a hearty welcome, she will, we know, receive the able support of Mrs. Sheldon, who has replaced Mrs. Featherstone as Assistant Secretary, to the latter our best thanks are due.

As regards the position of President during the coming year, I have much pleasure in informing you that Mrs. Southorn, who has already been on the Committee for over a year, has kindly consented to fill the post, and knowing as we do her capacity for work and her keen interest in the welfare of the Colony, you will I know share the views of the Committee that the appointment is one which cannot but be regarded with the greatest satisfaction.

Newspaper Coupons
Now I would like to mention that as a result of last year's Meeting, I received several very kind letters regarding the Society and its report, but in some cases the communications were not accompanied by the essential cheque or compradore order and as no doubt this was merely an oversight, I hope that this passing reference will be quite sufficient to prevent such an unfortunate occurrence this year: will friends please note.

In order to make matters simple you will find in your newspapers to-morrow a coupon which we hope you will cut out, fill in, and send to the addresses indicated. Don't put it off—do it first thing and you will then be relieved of all anxiety for 12 months, knowing that you have depoted others to look after your charitable obligations.

The Appeal
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These remarks, poofly expressed and in common place language, have at least but one redeeming feature and that is their sincerity. They will perhaps in the ordinary course of things be read to-morrow by many residents and if, here and there they have struck a chord of sympathy in our work, and awakened a desire to help, they have then in truth achieved their main object.

Call to Community
No matter how hard and conscientiously your Committee may work, no matter what self-sacrifice may be entailed in their endeavours to carry out the onerous duties voluntarily undertaken, or perhaps it may be said bequeathed to them by those who have gone before as far back as 1889, it must be obvious to all that the continuity of this organisation and extension of its worthy aims, can only be secured by the practical co-operation and financial assistance of the Hong Kong community.

With these remarks ladies and gentlemen, I have now to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented and when these have been seconded by the Hon. Mr. Shenton, we shall be glad to hear any remarks which members may be pleased to make.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton seconded the motion.

Those present having no remarks to make on the report as presented, the motion for its adoption was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Generous Assistance
Mrs. Alabaster then said that no doubt the counter attraction at St. Stephen's College had drawn away some of their audience. However, the attendance was better than in former years. She welcomed this show of more interest in the Society. The larger attendance, she said, might also be due to the change of time, from noon to 6.30. Then again, it might be due to the change of scene.

For this, Mrs. Alabaster said, she wished on behalf of herself and the Committee to express their thanks to the Dean of the Cathedral. (Applause.)

Proceeding, Mrs. Alabaster said that Mr. Sutherland had said a lot of nice things about herself and the members of the Committee. It gave her much pleasure to pay him back in his own coin. It was now his time to blush. (Laughter.)

They were very grateful to Mr. Sutherland for the assistance which he had always given them, even when they had gone to him in his lair during office hours he had always given them his best attention. They apologise for having wasted his time, but they were not sorry that they had sought his assistance.

Members Wanted

Mr. Sutherland had given them sound advice for the putting of their finances on a better footing, and it had borne fruit. From Mr. Sutherland's speech, they all knew that he had given a lot of his time even to that meeting because in his address to them he had gone very fully into the workings of the Society during the past year. They appreciated it all the more when they realised that Mr. Sutherland was a very busy business man. (Applause.)

In conclusion, Mrs. Alabaster said that she would like to endorse Mr. Sutherland's appeal for more members, and she had much pleasure in proposing a vote of thanks to Mr. Sutherland for the interest which he had taken in the Society. Highly Commandable.

The Very Rev. A. Swann, in seconding the vote of thanks said that the Society was rich in having such a man as Mr. Sutherland take an interest in it.

As to the use of the Cathedral Hall, he said that he was glad to have them come there. The Society, the Dean said, had been of great use to him as when he had received appeals for help he was able to inquire into the cases through the Society; the members of which always went about the work of investigation in a patient and detailed manner.

Few of them, the speaker continued, knew when a case was genuine or not, and when they have a Society which carefully and patiently investigate for them it was of great value to Hong Kong indeed. As the Society was run entirely on voluntary lines, the work of its members was highly commendable. (Applause.)

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Replies to the vote of thanks, Mr. Sutherland said that he very much appreciated the kind remarks made about him by Mrs. Alabaster.

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THE FOURTH TEST

FIVE ENGLISH WICKETS
FALL

HAMMOND STILL IN

As a result of the first day's play in the fourth Test match, England yesterday compiled at Adelaide 246 runs for the loss of five wickets. Details:—

England—1st Innings

Hobbs, c Ryde, b Hendry	74
Sutcliffe, st Oldfield, b	
Grimmett	64
Hammond, not out	47
D. R. Jardine, lbw, b	
Grimmett	1
Hendren, b Blackie	13
A. P. F. Chapman, c A'Beckett, b Ryde	39
Duckworth, not out	0
Extras	8
Total (for 5 wkt.)	246
Larwood, Tate, Gaunt and White to bat.	

Fall of wickets: 1 for 143 runs (Hobbs), 2 for 143 (Sutcliffe), 3 for 149 (Jardine).

Australian Team

The Australian team is:—
J. S. Ryde (Victoria), captain, W. M. Woodfull (Victoria), A. F. Kippax (New South Wales), H. L. Hendry (Victoria), C. V. Grimmett (S. Australia), D. Blackie (Victoria), D. Bradman (New South Wales), A. Jackson (New South Wales), R. M. Oxenham (Queensland), E. L. A'Beckett (Victoria), W. A. Oldfield (N.S.W.).

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...OULD A CHECK BE PUT ON
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ABOUT W. LINDRUM

that the public only desire to "see the goods; no matter the state of the score board." He should be in the position to judge, but I venture the opinion that, after the novelty of such heavy scoring evaporated, the public will wish to revert to closer games, instead of witnessing such runaway performances, however brilliant they may be.

Wonderful Scoring

During his fortnight's play with Lindrum, Smith scored no fewer than 30,900 points, and won the

LOCAL SOCCER

Division I.

(Kick off at 4.15 p.m.)
China Athletic v. Hong Kong F.C., H.K.F.C. ground.
Referee: L.S.B. Atkinson.

K.O.S.B. v. Royal Navy, Chatham-road ground. Referee: Capt. Austen, M.C., M.M.

Small Units v. Hong Kong Police, Sookumppo ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

South China v. Kowloon F.C., Caroline Hill ground. Referee: Bds. Kerslake.

Club de Recreio v. Queen's Regt., King's Park ground. Referee: P.O. Cowan.

Division II.

(Kick off at 2.45 p.m.)
K.O.S.B. Reserves v. Small Units Reserves, Sookumppo ground. Referee: Mr. Ip Kau Ko.

Queen's Regt. Res. v. South China "A", Chatham-road ground. Referee: Mr. T. G. Stokes.

China Athletic Res. v. South China "B", Caroline Hill. Referee: Pte. Lamb.

St. Joseph's v. R.A.F. St. Joseph's ground. Referee: A.B. Crosley.

R.A. Reserves v. Royal Navy Reserves, China Athletic ground. Referee: Pte. Farnsworth.

Club de Recreio Res. v. Eastern F.C., King's Park ground. Referee: Cox. Willis.

"match" by 19,178, his remarkable feat being enhanced by the fact that he averaged 161.62 per innings over the whole distance. His principal breaks were 1,140, 1,041, 1,108, 1,108, 964, 957, 933, 925, 908, and 900, a stupendous record which would have been more marvellous had he been able to add 43 to the 957, as then he would have made two four-figure breaks in successive hands, which he justifiably says would have been a real triumph.

Smith himself states that the patronage accorded the game proves

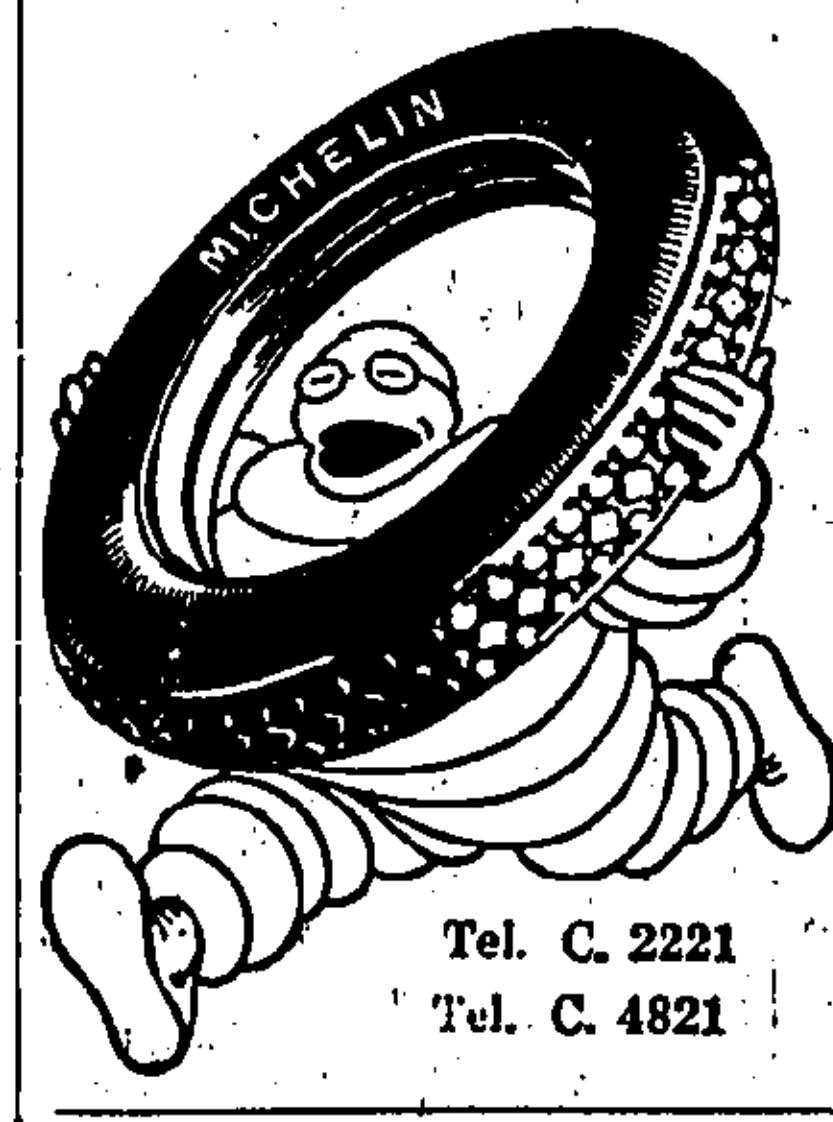
In every session except two he returned four-figure aggregates, and his worst session was the penultimate one, when he was outpointed by 1,148 to 585, and Lindrum was able to record his best return of the game. The Australian must be considered to have played very well in the circumstances, his best break being 468, while he passed the three hundred mark on six other occasions.

Lindrum paid a high tribute to his conqueror's brilliant play at the close of the match, and uttered what may be regarded as a somewhat cryptic remark in saying, "I should not like to predict the winner when he meets my brother Walter." If the latter is really as good a player as reports indicate, his meeting with Smith should yield a stirring tussle.

Walter Lindrum, by the way, has announced that upon the recovery of Clark McConachy from his present illness, they intend undertaking a world-tour together, and one is constrained to wonder whether this tour will begin prior to the arrival of Smith in Australia, after his visit to Canada. If so, the English player will find a great dearth of worthy opponents, and his tour, from a playing point of view, would be hardly worth while. The young Lindrum also states that he and McConachy may be regarded as almost certain starters for the English championship in 1930, which is good news indeed for enthusiasts on this side.

Davis Wants a 1,000 Break
As was predicted, the margin between the scores of Davis and Newman at the close of their match at Thurston's was not very large, the champion winning by 770 points. Even this was scarcely expected, for Newman was only 145 behind when the final day's play began. The match clearly proved that, at last, Davis has mastered the peculiarities of the composition ball, and that he has struck quite his best form.

Davis is a little disgruntled at not yet having made a thousand breaks with them but it is quite safe to say this is only a matter of time. Any player who can make 500 or 600, in faultless style, has only to abide his time to accomplish the greater thing. Newman in the second week credited himself with breaks of 822 (in which he took the lead for the first time since the opening day), and 1,038, but otherwise he was very inconsistent, while Davis played exceedingly well. The champion's highest run in the second half of the game was 501.



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but he claimed a large number between 800 and 400.

Following upon the defeat of Arthur Wardle and Ralph Coombe, another amateur championship aspirant in J. J. Ashley has been eliminated from the competition, and as it was generally stated, he had been heavily backed, not only for the London sectional success, but also for the competition proper, his defeat must have done a good turn for the book. Ashley's successful opponent was young Sidney Lee, who has made wonderful progress since winning the boys' championship four years ago. He followed this success by winning the London championship, and he bids fair to repeat this performance this year. His execution was worthy of any prospective champion, and given a fair chance in the draw, he will probably make a big mark in this season's event. Lee has already reached the sectional semi-final round, and as he will have to meet either C. H. Harrison or P. H. Bendon, he is practically certain to reach the ultimate stage, in which he is likely to run up against P. Pammenter (whom he defeated two years ago) or Lew Jacobs.—"Sports Dispatch" Correspondent.

NEW BILL

At the next meeting of the Legislative Council a bill will be introduced to amend the Watchmen's Ordinance, 1928, by placing members of the Air Force in the same category as members of the Naval and Military Forces.

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Chinese Chamber of Commerce Banquet



The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai, held its annual spring banquet recently, when among the guests invited were Dr. C. T. Wang (Minister of Foreign Affairs), Dr. H. H. Kung (Minister of Industry, Commerce and Labour) as well as the Committee of the American Club, British Association, British Chamber of Commerce and American Chamber of Commerce. Mr. S. S. Fung, supported by Messrs. S. U. Zau and K. H. Ling, was in the chair.—(C. H. Wong.)

Wins a Throne



After years of actions in the courts, Rajagopal Tondiaman, the six-years-old grandson of the younger sister of the late Rajah of Pudukotah, has been declared the successor to that ruler. His administration will be carried on by a regency until he comes of age.

On a Flying Honeymoon



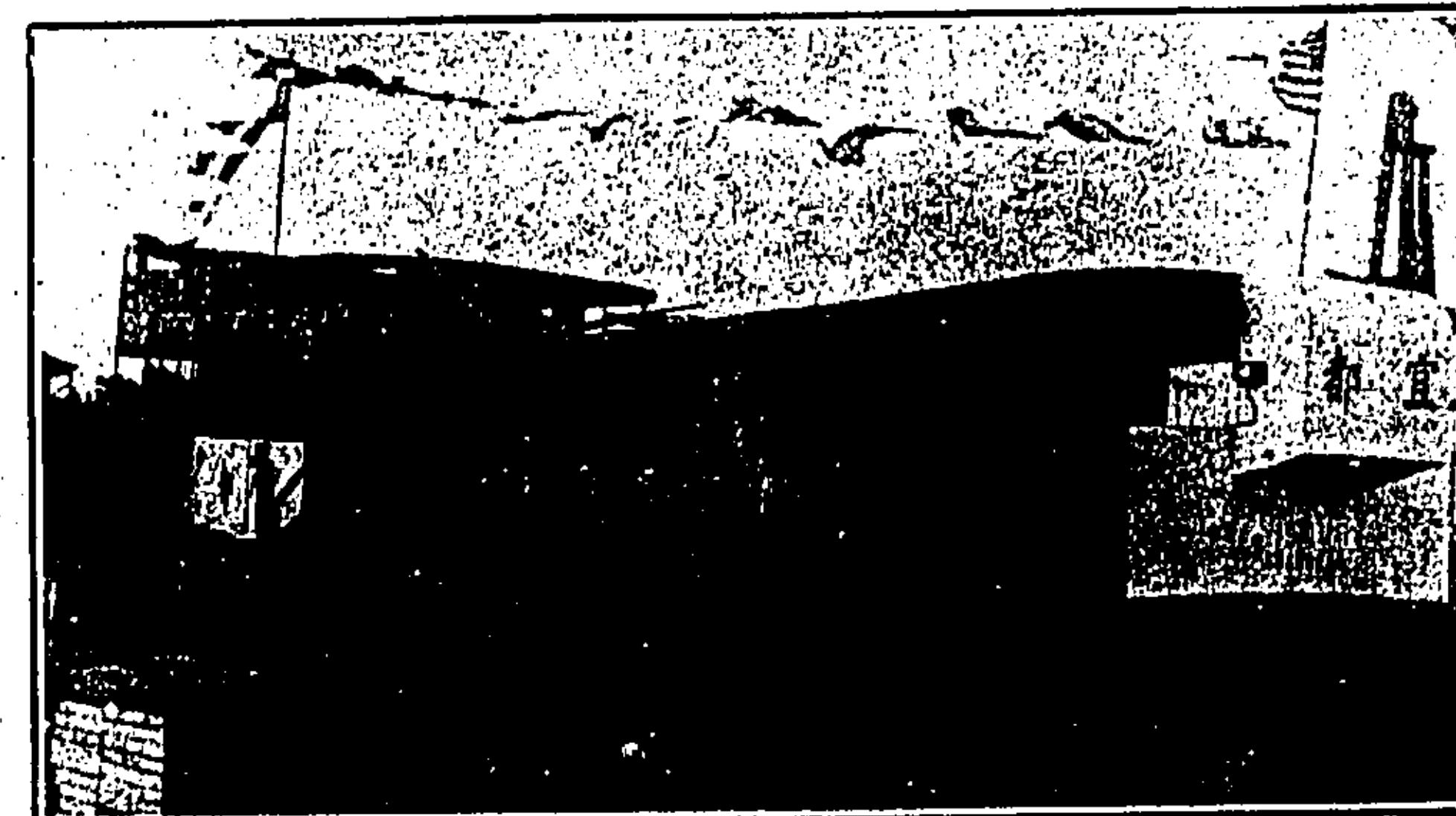
Lt. Henry Ogden, famous as a member of the U.S. Army's round-the-world fliers (who called at Hong Kong a few years ago), and his bride, the former Miss Uela Snook, as they left Mina Field, Los Angeles, on their aerial honeymoon. They intend to make a circuit of the United States by air.

Explosion in London's Streets



Here is a photo showing the damage wrought by sewer explosions underneath London's streets. More than a mile of roadway was torn up, telephone and telegraph communication was severed and a number of persons were injured.

Launching the "ITU"



The new motor vessel "ITU," of the Yangtze Rapid S.S. Co. was christened by Mrs. E. J. Foy, wife of Commander Foy, Chief of Staff to Rear-Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., who was also present at the launching ceremony held at Huu Hsing Dock, Shanghai. Many foreign and Chinese residents of Shanghai were in attendance.—(Ah Fong.)

African Explorer



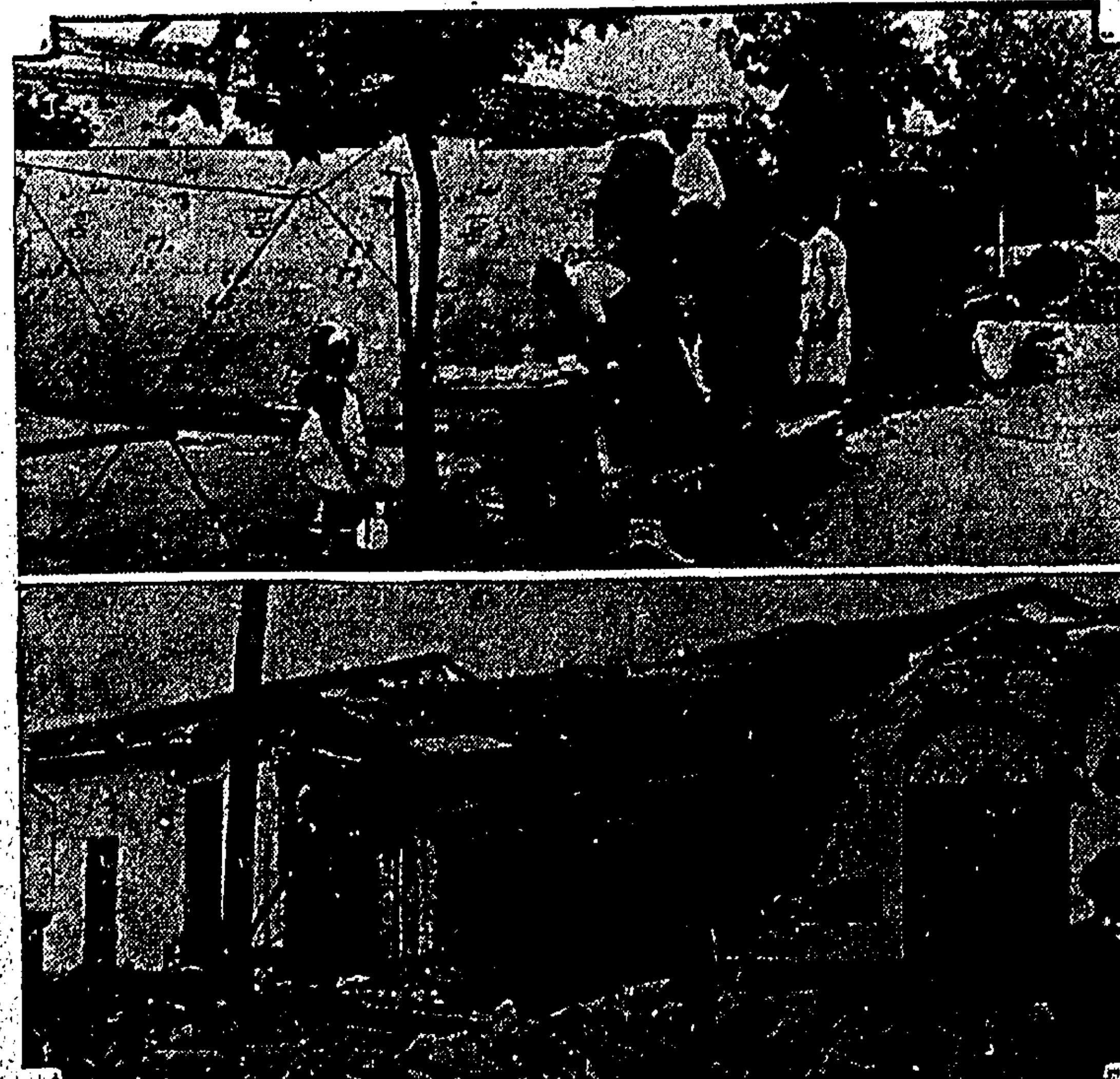
An exploration of the Zimbabwe ruins in Southern Rhodesia will be made by Miss Gertrude Caton-Thompson, an English woman. She believes these ruins are the site of King Solomon's mines.

Police Chief



Grover A. Whalen, the new head of the New York City police.

First Photos of Earthquake in Chile



Like shanty town areas were the scenes of the Chilean earthquake which caused death to 10,000 and injury to 100,000, and damage estimated at \$4,000,000. The vivid photo shows the scene in the city of Talca, the centre of the disaster, where the shock was so violent that the quake did not even knock down the principal buildings.

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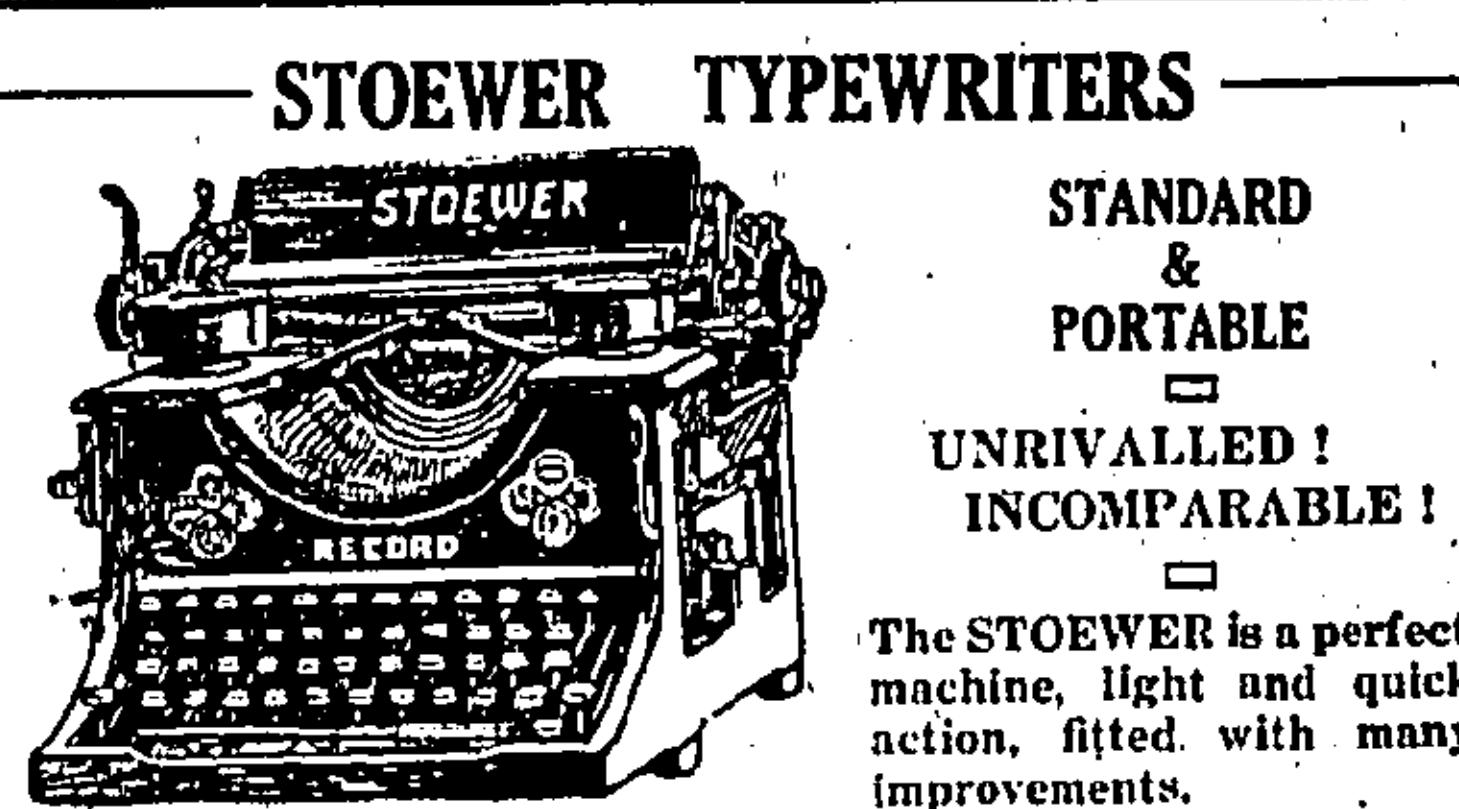
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as *harbor*, *plow*, and *altho*.)

